

Annual Reports

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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD.

Town Clerk

Charles L. Hildreth Term expires March, 1948

Selectmen

Arthur L. Healy, Chairman Term expires March, 1948
Edward F. Harrington, Secretary Term expires March, 1949
Cyril A. Blaney Term expires March, 1950

Assessors

Samuel A. Fletcher Term expires March, 1948
John J. O'Connell, Secretary Term expires March, 1949
Victor B. Daly, Chairman Term expires March, 1950

Board of Public Welfare

Samuel A. Richards, Chairman Term expires March, 1948
Reginald Blowey, Secretary Term expires March, 1949
William L. Wall Term expires March, 1950

Treasurer

Charlotte P. Greig Term expires March, 1950

Collector of Taxes

David I. Olsson Term expires March, 1950

Moderator

Ben W. Drew Term expires March, 1948

Constable

John F. Sullivan Term expires March, 1948

School Committee

William J. Kelly Term expires March, 1948
H. Arnold Wilder Term expires March, 1948
Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman Term expires March, 1949
Edgar S. Peterson Term expires March, 1949
F. Stanley Smith, Secretary Term expires March, 1950
James L. Knowlton Term expires March, 1950

Trustees of J. V. Fletcher Library

William R. Taylor	Term expires March, 1948
William C. Roudenbush, Chairman	Term expires March, 1949
Alice M. Howard, Secretary	Term expires March, 1950

Librarian

May E. Day

Board of Cemetery Commissioners

Fred R. Blodgett, Secretary	Term expires March, 1948
Axel G. Lundberg	Term expires March, 1949
Sebastian B. Watson, Chairman	Term expires March 1950

Board of Health

Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Secretary	Term expires March, 1948
Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Chairman	Term expires March, 1949
Ralph E. Cole, M. D.	Term expires March, 1950

Agents of Board of Health

Albert A. Hildreth, Agent	
Dorothy A. Healy, R. N., Agent, Public Health Nurse and Collector of Samples, Milk Inspector	
Charles L. Hildreth, Agent to issue Burial Permits	
Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Inspector of Dairies	
Charles A. Blodgett, Inspector of Slaughtering	

Tree Warden and Superintendent of Moth Department

Harry L. Nesmith

Director for Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics

Mabel M. Nixon

Finance Committee

Appointed under new Town By-Laws

Albert G. Forty, Secretary	Term expires March, 1948
Allister F. MacDougall	Term expires March, 1948
W. Otis Day	Term expires March, 1949
Everett A. Scott	Term expires March, 1949
E. Kent Allen, Chairman	Term expires March, 1950
Herford N. Elliott	Term expires March, 1950

Committee in Charge of Whitney Playground

John Fisher

Morris A. Hall

Charles L. Hildreth

Special Town Forest Committee

Fred R. Blodgett Term expires March, 1948

William E. Wright Term expires March 1949

Edwin H. Gould Term expires March, 1950

Registrars of Voters

James J. McKniff Term expires March 31, 1948

Norman E. Day Term expires March 31, 1949

Paul L. Dunigan Term expires March 31, 1950

Charles L. Hildreth, Clerk Ex-Officio

Precinct Officers

Precinct 1.—Warden, Alonzo H. Sutherland (R); Deputy Warden, Fisher Buckshorn (R); Clerk, Robert J. Spinner (D); Deputy Clerk, Edward T. Sullivan (D); Inspectors, T. Arthur E. Wilson (R); Morris A. Hall (R); Leo C. McDonald (D); J. Herbert Fletcher (D); Deputy Inspectors, Albert A. Hildreth (R); Howard H. Ferguson (R); Edward L. Dailey (D); Max D. Gaebler (D).

Precinct 2.—Warden, Clifford G. Carpentier (D); Deputy Warden, John E. Connolly (D); Clerk, Alfred T. W. Prinn (R); Deputy Clerk, William L. Wall (R); Inspectors, Charles A. Blodgett (R); Roy E. Blanchard (R); Richard H. Healy (D); John W. Spinner (D); Deputy Inspectors, Walter N. Fletcher (R); Howard V. Anderson (R); Raymond A. Wall (D); James H. Payne (D).

Precinct 3.—Warden Nicholas V. Basinas (D); Deputy Warden, Eva A. Deforge (D); Clerk, Harlan E. Knowlton (R); Deputy Clerk, William W. Gilson (R); Inspectors, Swan G. Swanson (R); Julia E. Knowlton (R); Eileen R. McGlinchey (D); Edna M. Maguire (D); Deputy Inspectors, Umberto P. Colarusso (R); Alice E. Whitcomb (R); John A. Eliason (D); Ruth A. Sundberg (D).

Precinct 4.—Warden, Leo J. Connell (D); Deputy Warden, John M. Mulligan (D); Clerk, Robert J. Orr (R); Deputy Clerk, Leslie N. Athorn (R); Inspectors, James Kelly, Jr. (D); Donald E. Courchaine (D); Reginald Blowey (R); Alderic Cantara (R); Deputy Inspectors, Richard Lyons (D); Albert F. Hobson (D); Arthur T. Greenslade (R); Albert E. Mountain (R).

Note — (R) Republican; (D) Democrat.

Chief of Police

John F. Sullivan

Regular Police Officer

John L. Connell

Dog Officers

John F. Sullivan

John L. Connell

Special Police Officers

Arthur A. Abbood
John J. Barretto
Gregory G. Beskalo, Jr.
Charles A. Blodgett
Elmer P. Brown
Lawrence J. Charlton
Leo J. Connell
John E. Connolly
Arthur F. Daly
Arthur J. Deforge
Theodore J. Doucette
Charles Flanagan
William C. Furbush
Wilfred Gelinas
Winslow P. George
George S. Gervais
Donald H. Hall
J. Austin Healy
Donald Holt

Ralph J. Hulslander
George F. Jones
Lester J. Liddle
David Lord
Thomas McGrath
Everett E. Miller
John J. O'Connell
Louis F. Oliver
Robert J. Orr
Edmund F. Pendlebury
W. Arthur Perrins
Uldege Ricard
Edmund D. Rogers
Winthrop W. Sargent
Robert J. Spinner
Edward J. St. Onge
William L. Wall
Frank A. Wright

Police Woman

Dorothy A. Healy, R. N.

Superintendent of Streets

J. Austin Healy

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Albert A. Hildreth

Inspector of Animals

Charles A. BlodgettAppointed March 25, 1947

Inspector of Buildings

Edmund D. Rogers

Forest Warden

Leo R. Larkin

Deputies Appointed by the Forest Warden

Reginald Blowey

Edmund D. Rogers

Thomas Curley

Robert J. Spinner

Richard W. Hall

Harold E. Wright

Hubert V. Raymond

Engineers of the Fire Department

Richard W. Hall, Clerk

Edmund D. Rogers, Chief

Harold E. Wright, Assistant Chief

Town Accountant and Clerk of Board of Selectmen

Genevieve A. Healy

Soldiers' Relief Agent

Genevieve A. Healy

Director of Veterans' Services

Edward E. Beebe

Agent for Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors

Arthur T. Greenslade

Superintendent of Westford Infirmary

Leo J. Connell

Keeper of the Lockup

Leo J. Connell

Town Fish and Game Warden

Edmund L. Provost

Janitor of Town House

Frank A. Wright

Janitor of Library Building

Carroll J. Rollins

Caretaker of Common

George E. St. Onge

Town Counsel

Edward L. Monahan

Fence Viewers

Charles A. Blodgett
Marden H. Seavey

Edwin H. Gould

Field Drivers

Frédéric O. Baker
J. Austin Healy Jr.

Louis F. Oliver

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Charles A. Blodgett
Fred W. Burnham
Charles Freeman
Edwin H. Gould

Isaac L. Hall
J. Austin Healy
Richard K. Healy
Edmund L. Provost

Weighers of General Commodities

John J. Buchanan
Arthur L. Healy
J. Austin Healy
J. Austin Healy, Jr.

James L. Healy
Richard K. Healy
John Shea Jr.
Harold W. Stewart

Weighers of Textile Commodities

Marjorie B. Abreu
Arthur J. Barker
Willard W. Beebe
Anthony R. Bohenko
Albert J. Burne
Edwin L. Burne
Philip R. Connell
Annie H. Daly
Victor B. Daly

Grace E. DeCarteret
William G. Donnolly
Frederick H. Ellison
Frank Gagnon
George M. Haley
Barbara R. Harrigan
Helen Hartley
James J. Hobson
Clifford Jones

Annie Kostechko
Mary P. Lord
Elizabeth A. May
Helena A. McKniff
Edward McLenna
Rameo Milot
Michael T. Mosscrop
Ellen A. Oldham

Robert J. Orr Jr.
Theresa C. Proulx
William Robinson
Winthrop W. Sargent
John W. Shackleton
Irene Szylvian
Stanley J. Zarnowski

Assistant Town Clerk

Alice A. Hildreth

NOTE—The law requires that certain officers, including Measurers and Weighers, in order to qualify as such officers, be sworn in, and a record of their oath be filed with the Town Clerk.

B I R T H S

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford—1947

Date of Birth		NAME	PARENTS
Nov.	27	Adgate, Mary Kathleen	Frederick A. and Margaret (Kelly)
June	23	Alling, Loretta Jeanne	Francis W. and Mildred I. (Richards)
Nov.	14	Anderson, Shirley Marie	Gustave L. and Hilma E. (Monson)
Sept.	18	Andrews, Dana Robert	Albert F. and Evelyn P. (Aubrey)
April	10	Armstrong, June Ardee	Robert L. and June R. M. (LaMotte)
April	6	Bell, Robert Alan	Robert H. and Lucy E. (Sleeper)
May	22	Benoit, Evelyn Marie	Lionel J. and Evelyn M. (Daly)
Sept.	30	Bobryk, Susan Gail	Peter and Viola (Kazura)
Jan.	12	Brule, Dennis John	Josephat and Simonne (Menard)
Oct.	28	Brule, Paula	Leo J. and Lucille (Boucher)
Sept.	30	Callahan, Carol Jane	Joseph D. and Mary L. (Anderton)
July	4	Carbonnan, William Raymond	William Joseph and Della Lea (Crate)
April	24	Cassidy, Jean Frances	Robert V. and Rita C. (Labelle)
March	27	Chambers, Edward Forbes III	Edward F. and Mary L. (Scribner)
March	2	Chandonait, Lucinda Paulette	Henry J. Jr. and Barbara V. (Hayden)
Oct.	11	Cole, Prudence Martha	Ralph E. and Elinor G. (Clark)
April	11	Connell, Claudia	George E. and Frances C. (Charlton)
May	27	Corkery, Virginia Marie	James J. Jr. and Marie (Kaucikas)
April	6	Cormier, Christine Ellen	Henry C. and Ellen A. (Callahan)
Jan.	8	Costanza, Catherine Ann	Joseph J. and Catherine (Dubey)
Aug.	14	Cox, Peter*Paul	Gilbert W. and Hazel (Smith)
Nov.	3	Deware, Susan Ann	Rainsford and Helen (Day)
March	2	DiDonato, Janice Lynn	Anthony R. and Mildred (Miller)
Sept.	25	Dooley, Katherine Mary	Maurice R. and Gladys E. (Hill)
Aug.	1	Doucette, John David	Victor G. and Dorothy M. (McEnaney)
Jan.	23	Drew, George Westcott	Benjamin W. and Sarah R. (Westcott)
May	28	Dubey, Paul Frederick	Joseph S. and Marie D. (Lamie)
Sept.	17	Dubowik, Joseph Walter Jr.	Joseph W. and Vera L. (DeWolfe)
Aug.	30	Duggan, Donna Lee	James H. and Florence Y. (Labbe)
Nov.	8	Dunn, June Evelyn	Kenneth and Marjorie (Stockwell)
Aug.	14	Egerton, Susan Elizabeth	Albert M. and Emma S. (Goucher)
Dec.	27	Finnila, Margaret Rosa	Weikko and Ida (Ricard)
Oct.	3	Flanagan, Charles Hugh	Charles W. and Doris C. (Langlois)
May	2	Fletcher, Robert Allison	Harold H. Jr. and Edith (Allison)
July	12	Fletcher, Walter Whidden III	Walter W. Jr. and Dorothy M. (Cockerline)
July	7	Forty, Pamela Ruth	Albert H. and Grace G. (Hanson)
April	15	Foster, Raymond Maurice	Kenneth Gordon and Lena M. (Pizza)
Sept.	23	Gagnon, Francis Paul	Francis J. and Annette P. (Nadeau)

Date of Birth		NAME	PARENTS
Nov. 12		Godfroy, Normand Joseph	Rosaire R. and Theresa B. (Brule)
March 29		Gordon, Joyce Ann	William C. and Betty J. (Hennen)
June 27		Green, Margaret Rose	Edwin A. and Margaret (Dundas)
July 1		Hall, Roger Donald	Albert L. and Doris A. (Pray)
Oct. 16		Hall, Susan Lenore	David K. and Marilyn J. (Fenton)
Oct. 18		Hannem, Paul James	James Cyril and Bernice Veronica (Zydlowski)
March 2		Haran, Charlotte	John Thomas and Genevieve (Szyylvian)
May 16		Harrington, Alice	Edward F. and Kathryn (Supple)
Oct. 25		Healy, Mary Cecilia	James L. and Cecilia A. (Ward)
June 6		Heighes, Clifford	Clifford and Gertrude E. (Hird)
June 11		Hosmer, Evelyn Priscilla	Edward W. and Ruby G. (Williams)
Sept. 16		Ingalls, Evelyn Lorraine	Herbert E. and Frances (Glidden)
Nov. 4		Jones, Charles Sharpless II	
		Ralston Permar Jr. and Patricia Manuela (Mailliard)	
Feb. 22		Kasinskas, Joanne Marie	Joseph J. and Aline M. (Langevin)
Sept. 7		Kazeniak, Herbert James	Herbert P. and Marjorie L. (Latham)
Oct. 15		Kosowicz, Stanley Marian Jr.	Stanley M. and Mildred H. (Lavigne)
May 11		Lambert, William Dennis	Harold W. and Marie A. (Palermo)
Jan. 1		Langley, Judith Ann	Walter F. and Evelyn H. (Heath)
Dec. 21		Lavertue, Marie Helen Alexina	Arthur John and Leda (Boulay)
July 12		LeDuke, Elizabeth Ann	William Henry and Alice Mary (Frahman)
March 4		LeMasurier, George Andrew	George and Eleanor E. (Sullivan)
Jan. 14		MacLean, Heather	Philip E. and Dorothy H. (Calder)
Jan. 28		Mason, Deborah	Elmer Bancroft and Ethel Irene (Brown)
July 11		Menard, Conrad Olier Joseph	Raoul J. and Theresa (Bedard)
July 30		Menard, Joseph	Lucien and Irene (Bedard)
May 20		Milot, Mary Linda	Wilfred Thomas and Mary Cecile (Vincent)
Aug. 23		Moreno, Cynthia Frances	Mareo and Mary M. (DiRocco)
June 2		Mullin, Brenda	Charles F. and Clara M. (Dare)
Aug. 21		Mullin, Joan Elizabeth	William M. and Mary L. (Duffy)
Dec. 7		Nesmith, Joyce Elizabeth	Norman K. and Aksenia (Pupchick)
Sept. 6		Oliver, Gerald Jean	Anthony P. and Adele H. (Witalisz)
Nov. 2		Oliver, Wendy Joyce	James C. and Helen (Stearns)
Feb. 16		Olsen, Leo Elmer	Elmer S. and Rolande (Martin)
May 17		Palmer, Paul Curtis	Roger A. and Virginia (Sullivan)
March 8		Palmer, Warren Rodney Jr.	Warren R. and Beatrice (Kristoff)
April 22		Phalon, Robert Jesse	Robert Wright and Phyllis Olive (Estes)
April 2		Regan, Laura Margaret	John E. and Ellen R. (Mullin)
Aug. 8		Romanowsky, Clare Ann	Arnold P. and Margaret E. (McNabb)
May 8		Roscoe, Joseph	Charles and Josephine (Sosnowski)
Dec. 25		Ross, Jeffrey Douglas	August P. and Louise (Gagnon)

Date of Birth		NAME	PARENTS
Oct.	29	Ryan, Thomas Joseph	James L. Jr. and Charlotte R. (Dulligan)
April	25	Saraceni, Joseph Anthony	Angelo and Annette (Benedetto)
March	6	Schwartz, Raymond Russel	W. Russel and Marjorie M. (Sorricks)
Feb.	15	Sechovich, Sandra Lee	Peter and Nellie (Daranchuc)
Aug.	24	Slatterly, Susan Margaret	Robert Loomis and Dorothy (Sherman)
March	26	Smith, John Ernest	Harry Vincent and Mary E. (Fitzpatrick)
May	25	Soubosky, Robert	Robert L. and Lorande (Milot)
Sept.	15	Stepinski, Gary John	Frank J. and Margaret I. (McKinley)
Jan.	31	Stone, Judith Ann	Henry B. and Alice A. (Shackleton)
Nov.	23	St. Onge, Donna Lee	J. Edward and Josephine R. (Mardas)
May	4	Sudak, Peter Nicholas	Constantine and Elizabeth (Palmer)
March	8	Sullivan, Janet Mildred	Edward T. and Mildred (Maguire)
Feb.	9	Sweetser, Beverly Mary	Howard W. and Mary C. (Muldowney)
Feb.	24	Targ, Joanne Mary	Theodore J. and Julia J. (Wilk)
Jan.	19	Tevlin, Susanne Jo	Thomas J. and June K. (Weaver)
May	18	Therrien, George Roland	Roland R. and Gabrielle (LaSalle)
May	1	Thomas, Mary Ellen	John F. and Mary L. (Dwyer)
Oct.	13	Thompson, Mary Ellen	Ronald F. and Mary A. (Wood)
May	18	Tzikopoulos	Charles A. and Anastasia (Psarias)
Jan.	13	Uher, Nancy Darlene	Joseph Francis and Norma Durell (Kimball)
Aug.	21	Wheeler, Audrey Anne Elizabeth	James Albert and Mary Jane (Walsh)
June	10	Wheeler, Betty Jo	Floyce R. and Rita E. (Dubois)
Dec.	12	Whitney, Carol Janis	Warren Williams and Carrie Louise (Gyles)
Oct.	12	Whitney, Mabel Blanche	Harold E. and Doris H. (Wright)
July	20	Whitney, Richard Ivan	Ivan V. and Dorothy M. (Barteaux)
Sept.	12	Whitney, Todd Leland	Nathaniel H. and Mary L. (Reynolds)
June	15	Wilder, Jill Darleen	Bernard M. and Chrystalbelle Grace (Weaver)
March	2	Wilder, John Arthur	George S. and Katherine M. (Bariteau)
Total Number Recorded: Males 46; Females 61; Total 107.			

MARRIAGES

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Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
May 24	Antonelli, Charles Patrick	20	Westford	Chelsea
	Laffey, Eleanor Ann	19	Lowell	Lowell
Apr. 6	Arning, John Fredrick	21	Cambridge	Lansing, Mich.
	Kiver, Mary	21	Westford	Westford
June 7	Athorn, Leslie Nelmes	34	Westford	Keighley, England
	Mountain, Leslie (Sherman)	35	Westford	Lowell
May 27	Bargiron, Robert Arthur	30	Westfield	Russell
	Lydiard, Constance	23	Westford	Lowell
Oct. 26	Basinas, Nicholas Vasilios	26	Westford	Lowell
	Padelopoulos, Andronike	20	Lowell	Lowell
June 7	Bean, Clarence Arthur	21	Westford	Bedford
	Paquette, Denise Theresa	20	Lowell	Epping, N. H.
Apr. 6	Beaulieu, Arnold	22	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Cote, Una Irene (Bechard)	22	Westford	Westford
May 25	Bechard, Henry Leo	22	Westford	Westford
	Gay, Barbara Ella	23	Lowell	Lynn
July 26	Beebe, Willard Walter	24	Westford	Westford
	Milot, Dolores Virginia	21	Westford	Chelmsford
June 28	Bellemore, Leo Paul	20	Westford	Groton
	Champagne, Gertrude Anne	20	Lowell	Lowell
Oct. 23	Blackadar, George Arnaud	68	Westford	Harvey, N. B., Canada
	Vickery, Georgia (Allen)	65	Lynn	Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
Feb. 23	Blaney, Cyril Chandler	31	Westford	Westford
	Denisevich, Anne	25	Westford	Westford
Aug. 3	Bohenko, John Paul	29	Westford	Westford
	Mulligan, Eleonora Mary	19	Westford	Westford
Sept. 27	Britt, Jarrett Lee	20	Holly Pond, Ala.	Liberty Hill, Ala.
	Sleeper, Barbara Ruth	20	Westford	Lowell
Nov. 4	Burke, George Henry	75	Westford	Westford
	O'Brien, Katharine Philomena	58	Lowell	Lowell
Apr. 25	Burns, Joseph Raymond	42	Lowell	Lowell
	Thompson, Rita Mary	22	Westford	Westford
June 21	Cabral, Manuel Vincent	28	Warwick, R. I.	Warwick, R. I.
	Young, Margaret Genevieve	24	Westford	Lowell
May 29	Conant, Edward Arthur	31	Lowell	Lowell
	Wright, Marjorie Ethel (Whitley)	31	Westford	Lowell
Apr. 12	Connell, Edward Bernard	23	Westford	Westford
	Lewkowicz, Helen Mary	23	Westford	Westford

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Apr. 12	Cote, Marcel Joseph	20	Westford	Westford
	Lussier, Anita Theresa	20	Lowell	Lowell
Aug. 10	Crook, George Henry Jr.	28	Dorchester	Dorchester
	Marshall, Luba	27	Westford	Methuen
Aug. 30	Curtis, Lester	25	Lowell	Richmond, Me.
	Gagnon, Mary Ann	22	Gardiner, Me.	East Lake, Canada
Sept. 6	Daley, Robert Floyd	23	Groton	Groton
	Kostechko, Annie	23	Westford	Westford
Sept. 27	Daly, Francis Edward	26	Westford	Westford
	Connell, Winifred Ann	20	Westford	Westford
June 22	Dawson, Francis Joseph	24	Lowell	Lawrence
	Remis, Anne Elizabeth	19	Westford	Westford
Apr. 6	Deloge, Joseph Andrew	22	Lawrence	Lawrence
	Ricard, Marie Anne	18	Westford	Westford
Feb. 2	DeSelle, Clarence Henry	30	Lowell	Lowell
	Milot, Jacqueline Marjorie	21	Westford	Westford
June 7	Dube, Joseph Rosario Jr.	20	Westford	Lowell
	Savoy, Margaret Mary	21	Westford	Seekonk
Oct. 11	Flanders, Harry Herbert	23	Lowell	Lowell
	Marshall, Mary	19	Westford	Westford
Nov. 15	Hall, Donald Henry	32	Westford	Westford
	Newman, Anna Gertrude	38	Lowell	Derry, N. H.
Aug. 2	Holmes, James Joseph	23	Westford	Westford
	Brunelle, Lillian (Lacourse)	23	Lowell	Lowell
Nov. 1	Holmes, John	33	Westford	Keighley, England
	Lacombe, Mary Rose	31	Groton	St. Ephrem, Canada
Oct. 25	Hook, Eric G.	41	Westford	Medford
	Ross, Bette	26	Philadelphia, Pa.	Sheboygan, Mich.
June 21	Hulslander, Frank Benjamin	38	Lowell	Chelmsford
	McKniff, Winifred Cecelia	41	Westford	Yorkshire, England
Feb. 1	Kiver, Anthony	24	Westford	Westford
	Gordon, Mary Margaret	25	Nashua, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
Mar. 25	Kovalchek, George	23	Westford	Westford
	McLean, Helen Louisa	25	Lowell	Lowell
Aug. 3	Lafrance, Alfred Noel	24	Nashua, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
	Grenier, Lucille Alice	21	Westford	Westford
Aug. 2	Lambert, Armand Joseph	22	Westford	Lowell
	Carbonneau, Dorothy Marie	20	Westford	Westford
Apr. 26	May, Thomas Edward Jr.	25	Westford	Westford
	Graham, Doris Josephine	24	Westford	Westford
Apr. 7	McGlinchey, Richard Lawrence	29	Westford	Westford
	Shea, Mary Katherine	20	Lowell	Lowell

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Sept. 14	Mellen, Charles Joseph	31	Boston	Boston
	Barretto, Virginia Benedetta	30	Westford	Westford
June 15	Moreno, Michael	30	Westford	Westford
	Marinel, Florence Elizabeth	20	Tyngsboro	Tyngsboro
Aug. 9	Morton, Walter Finnemore Jr.	17	Groton	Westford
	Hosmer, Jean Louise	17	Westford	Dracut
June 28	O'Brien, Arthur James	20	Lowell	Lowell
	McNeal, Isabelle Cora	19	Westford	Bangor, Me.
May 8	O'Connell, Francis Aloysius	24	Westford	Westford
	Blanchard, Mildred	23	Lowell	Lowell
June 15	Paquin, Raymond Leo	21	Lowell	Lowell
	Moreno, Mary	24	Westford	Westford
June 1	Perrins, William Arthur III	23	Westford	Ware
	Fellner, Renee Maria	18	Westford	Vienna, Austria
Feb. 15	Pietras, John Andrew	24	Groton	Groton
	Socha, Georgette Catherine	22	Westford	Dracut
June 29	Popolizio, Vincent James	23	Westford	Westford
	Volis, Catherine	22	Lowell	Lowell
Aug. 30	Pray, Emerson Dikemen	39	Nashua, N. H.	Dalhart, Texas
	Treynowich, Eva Mae (Mellon)	35	Nashua, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
Feb. 12	Puleo, Nicholas Charles	27	Maynard	Maynard
	Rancour, Phyllis Marjorie	23	Westford	Lowell
July 12	Rancourt, George Henry	25	Lowell	Lowell
	MacQuarrie, Eleanor Louise	19	Westford	Chelmsford
Dec. 12	Rushton, Edwin Thomas	36	Cambridge	Swampscott
	Antworth, Blanche (Maheu)	33	Cambridge	Waterville, Me.
Aug. 2	Sedach, John	25	Westford	Westford
	Corey, Mary Ann	21	Dracut	Holden
May 31	Sienkiewicz, Chester John	27	Westford	Westford
	Elmer, Margaret Eileen	33	Ayer	Ayer
Sept. 1	Smith, Charles	44	Westford	Yorkshire, England
	Kinch, Doris Catherine	35	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
Dec. 5	Smith, Roy	25	Pontiac, Mich.	Pontiac, Mich.
	Barteaux, Marjorie Arlene	24	Westford	Westford
Aug. 11	Stapel, Wilho Matti	24	Maynard	Maynard
	Beebe, Phyllis Lorraine	20	Westford	Westford
June 21	St. Gelais, Rene Leo	21	Lowell	Lowell
	Hall, Marjorie Alice	22	Westford	Westford
Nov. 22	Stone, William Finnemore	19	Westford	Westford
	Fletcher, Charlotte Lillian	18	Westford	Lowell
Aug. 3	Stuart, Clayton Baxter Jr.	22	Lowell	Lowell
	Grenier, Jacqueline Theresa	19	Westford	Westford

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
July 19	Tereshko, Jacob Jr.	22	Westford	Westford
	Lowrey, Doris Anna	23	Lowell	Lowell
Apr. 19	Therrien, Leo Edmond	23	Lowell	Lowell
	Lamy, Beatrice Claire	22	Westford	Westford
Nov. 26	Tousignant, Wilfred Joseph	26	Westford	Chelmsford
	Carpentier, Rita Mary	25	Westford	Westford
Dec. 25	Valcourt, Joseph Raymond	20	Westford	Westford
	Lambert, Therese Marie	19	Westford	Lowell
June 28	Visnaskas, John Anthony	33	Westford	Boston
	McLaughlin, Mary Catherine	22	Boston	Boston
Aug. 23	White, George Kenneth	36	Westford	Watertown
	Ryan, Mary Jane	30	Watertown	Bridgeport, Conn.
Sept. 20	Whitney, Donald Arnold	26	Westford	Westford
	Sabeau, Mildred Vivian	18	Tyngsboro	Waltham
Mar. 9	Whitney, Warren Williams	22	Westford	Westford
	Gyles, Carrie Louise	19	Littleton	Newport, Vt.
May 3	Young, John Francis	22	Westford	Westford
	St. Cyr, Mildred Marie	22	Groton	Westford
Nov. 16	Zanchi, Paul John	27	Westford	Westford
	LaMela, Petrina Angela	28	Lawrence	Lawrence
Total Number Recorded: 71.				

DEATHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford—1947

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE		
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Jan. 28	Batchelder, Althea (Langley)	93	4	5
Feb. 8	Beskal, Peter	31	4	23
Feb. 25	Billings, Margaret J.	76	9	22
June 8	Boisvert, Emma Mary (Bellemore)	62	10	14
June 22	Bosworth, Roger Isles	29	7	22
Apr. 20	Cantara, Alderic—husband of Yvonne (Lecourt)	48	—	—
Nov. 12	Cantin, Mary Louise (Byron)—wife of Amedee	67	2	16
Dec. 5	Coan, Leo Joseph—husband of Ethel (Jones)	29	—	—
July 5	Coburn, Hannah	90	6	5
May 17	Costello, James—husband of Mary Ann (Aspden)	61	7	10
Jan. 8	Dane, Janice M.	—	2	11
Mar. 23	Degagne, Resimon—husband of Georgina (Roy)	68	5	13
Feb. 2	Donovan, Mary R. (O'Hara)	75	—	—
Feb. 17	Drew, Nellie P.	84	—	—
Mar. 7	Fisher, Clara Amanda	83	8	1
Sept. 22	Franklin, John	84	3	3
June 21	Gardel, Sarah	65	—	—
May 28	Greene, John R.—husband of Nora (Walker)	72	4	19
Jan. 3	Harrington, Elizabeth J. (Dunn)—wife of P. Henry	74	6	19
Feb. 10	Harrington, P. Henry	74	11	25
May 20	Hulstrom, Carl	89	7	22
Dec. 22	Jeffroy, Frank	86	7	6
Oct. 11	Judd, Don Edgar—husband of Estella (Rogers)	76	—	—
June 22	Lambert, William D.	—	1	11
July 23	Lamy, Noe Joseph—husband of Jane (Aubry)	50	10	20
Aug. 10	Lester, Benjamin—husband of Ada (Pransky)	33	—	—
May 13	Lowther, Christina	84	4	18
Aug. 5	Menard, Joseph	—	—	7
Sept. 27	Morgan, William R.	59	5	7
Nov. 22	O'Brien, George	75	—	—
Nov. 29	Robinson, Charles Warren	80	8	21

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE		
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Feb. 9	Stone, Raymond Borden— husband of Edith M. (Harvey)	60	2	23
Sept. 25	Sullivan, Douglas R.	26	5	20
Feb. 4	Sutherland, Martha Luella (Cass)—wife of Alonzo H.	78	—	24
Nov. 11	Tousignant, Joseph	58	10	1
Feb. 4	Walsh, Annie J.	73	10	19
Jan. 9	Wilson, James David	77	7	28
Sept. 4	Wright Charles Dexter	60	—	18

	Male	Female	Total
Total Number Recorded	27	15	42
Number of Deaths in Westford	15	7	22
Residents of Westford	23	15	38

NOTE

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the foregoing reports of births, marriages and deaths and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be discerned therein, so that the records may be corrected. An error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition under oath made by one who was required by law, to furnish the information for the original record or by one or more creditable persons having knowledge of the case.
(See General Laws, Chapter 46, Section 13 as amended.)

Births occurring late in the year are sometimes returned without the Christian name. In such cases parents should return the name to the Town Clerk as soon as selected, as incompleteness of the record may occasion trouble in the future.

Attention is particularly called to the following extracts from the General Laws:

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46

Section 1. Each city and town clerk shall receive or obtain and record * * * facts relative to the births * * * in his city or town.

Section 3. Every physician or medical officer registered shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge and * * * shall, within fifteen days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report * * * if the child is illegitimate, the name and other facts relating to the father shall not be stated except at the request in writing of both father and mother filed * * *. Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported * * *. A physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars * * *.

Section 4. A member or servant of a family in which a child is born, having knowledge of the facts required * * * shall furnish the same upon request of the clerk of the town * * * or of any person authorized by him. (Penalty for refusing, not more than ten dollars.)

Section 6. Parents, within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder within forty days after a birth in his house shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such a child is born.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 207

Section 36. If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth, who return to dwell here, they shall within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the town where either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage including the facts required in a notice of intention of marriage.

Section 55. Whoever violates Section 36 shall forfeit ten dollars.

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish, parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital medical officers applying therefor, with blanks for return of births as required by law.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT ON DOGS

Number of Dog Licenses issued from January 1, 1947 thru December 31, 1947:

258 Males at \$2.00	\$516.00
53 Females at \$5.00	265.00
76 Spayed Females at \$2.00	152.00
2 Kennel at \$10.00	20.00
1 Transfer	
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390 Total	\$953.00
Clerk's fees at 20 cents on 389 Licenses	\$ 77.80
Paid to Town as per Treasurer's Receipts	875.20
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	\$953.00

The attention of owners and keepers of dogs is called to the following extracts from Chapter 140 of the General Laws as amended:

Definition: "License period," the time between April first and the following March thirty-first, both dates inclusive.

Section. 137. A person who at the commencement of a license period is, or who during any license period becomes, the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old during a license period, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed until the end of such license period, and the owner or keeper of a dog so registered, numbered, described and licensed during any license period, in order to own or keep such dog after the beginning of the succeeding license period, shall, before the beginning thereof, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for such period. —The registering, numbering, describing and licensing of a dog— shall be—if kept in any—town in the office of the clerk thereof.

The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished,—by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the condition expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substi-

tute tag from the town clerk—at a cost of ten cents which, if received by a town clerk, shall be retained by him unless otherwise provided by law.

Section 139. Fees for licenses. The fee for every license shall, except as otherwise provided, be two dollars for a male dog and five dollars for a female dog, unless a certificate of a registered veterinarian who performed the operation that said female dog has been spayed and has thereby been deprived of the power of propagation has been filed with the town clerk, in which case the fee shall be two dollars. A certified copy of such certificate on file in the office of any town clerk within the Commonwealth may be accepted as evidence that the said operation has been performed.—

DOG LICENSES ISSUED THRU DECEMBER 31, 1947

Abbood, Arthur A (m)	Butko, George (m)
Abbot, Edward M. (2m 1f)	Byron, Edward J. (m)
Abbot, Edward M. Jr. (m)	Caless, Thomas W. Jr. (m)
Abbot, Natalie B. (m)	Carlsen, John (s)
Abbott, Jessie (s)	Carmichael, Charlotte (2f)
Abreu, Anthony (m)	Carpentier, Jeanne F. (m)
Alcorn, Fred H. (m)	Carter, John L. (s)
Allen, E. Kent (m)	Carter W. Wallace (s)
Anderson, Gustave L. (m)	Cassidy, Robert V. (f)
Anderson, Howard V. (2m)	Chambers, Edward F. (f)
Antonelli, John (m)	Chandler, Robert G. (m)
Armstrong, Robert L. (m)	Chandonait, Alphonse A. (m)
Atwood, Florence E. (2m)	Charlton, Arthur L. (m)
Atwood, Jewett A. (s)	Charlton, Elizabeth B. (m)
Baxendale, George E. (m)	Charlton, Joyce & Juanita (m)
Belida, Sonia (m)	Clements, Edna Kittredge (s)
Belinski, Anthony (m)	Colarusso, Umberto P. (m)
Benkoski, Florence (s)	Cole, Ralph E. (s)
Blanchard, Roy E. (1m 1s)	Comey, Susannah (m)
Blodgett, Charles A & Fred R. (f)	Connell, Dolphine (f)
Boisvert, Lionel B. (m)	Connell, Frances C. (m)
Boisvert, Ronald J. (s)	Connell, Leo J. (m)
Bouchard, Treffle J. (2m)	Cook, Chester H. (m)
Brule, Josephat (f)	Coupal, Anna M. (m)
Bubeshko, Alexander (m)	Coupal, Napoleon (s)
Budge, William K. (1m 1s)	Courchaine, Donald E. (m)
Burke, George H. (m)	Courchaine, Joseph R. (m)
Burne, Albert J. (m)	Day, Avis E. (m)
Burnham, David A. (f)	Decato, Raymond S. (m)

Deforge, Arthur J. (m)	Gower, Robert F. (m)
DeGagne, Samuel J. (m)	Graves, Herbert O. (s)
DeLaHaye, Edmund J. (s)	Green, Edwin A. (m)
Denisevich, Zachary (s)	Greenough, Caroline G. (m)
Desmond, David L. (m)	Greenslade, Arthur T. Jr. (m)
DeWolfe, Harold G. (m)	Greenwood, Wilfred C. (1m 1s)
Dick, Ethel M. Gale (f)	Guillemette, Albert J. (m)
Dixon, Winifred A. (s)	Hagberg, Ernest A. (m)
Donnelly, Harry G. (m)	Haley, Frank L. (f)
Doucette, Victor G. (m)	Hall, Albert L. (m)
Drew, Ben W. (s)	Hall, David K. (m)
Dubey, Joseph T. (m)	Hall, John H. (m)
Dubey, Peter A. (s)	Hall, Marjorie A. (s)
Dubey, Ralph H. (m)	Hall, Philip G. (m)
Dubinski, Joseph P. (m)	Hall, Richard W. (m)
Dubinski, Joseph W. (s)	Harless, Bert A. Jr. (m)
Dupras, Fred L. (m)	Harrington, William C. (m)
Eastman, Elizabeth A. (m)	Hartford, Hazel B. (s)
Edgar, Russell E. (f)	Hartley, John (m)
Elliot, Augustus Jr. (m)	Healey, Stella P. (f)
Elliot Priscilla B. (2m)	Hebert, Irene H. (m)
Ellison, Jacob E. (m)	Heman, Robert J. (m)
Fallon, Owen P. (m)	Heroux, Raoul (m)
Farrell, Donald (s)	Hildreth, Arthur G. (m)
Farwell, Lawrence W. (m)	Hildreth, Charles L. (m)
Farwell, Robert E. (m)	Hildreth, Leon F. (s)
Ferguson, Claire (m)	Hodgson, Harry (m)
Finnila, Ida E. (m)	Holmes, George R. (f)
Fisher, Frances B. (m)	Holmes, James (f)
Flanagan, Charles W. (s)	Hook, Harold P. (m)
Flanagan, John F. (m)	Hubbel, Edgar G. (f)
Fletcher, Cynthia (m)	Ingalls, Harry M. (f)
Fletcher, E. Kennard (s)	Jensen, Lillian A. (m)
Fletcher, Harold H. Jr. (m)	Jewett, David H. (s)
Fletcher, Walter W. (f)	Johnson, Harry C. Jr. (m)
Foss, Raymond (m)	Johnson, N. Herman (s)
Freeman, Anna (1m 1f)	Jones, John (f)
Frost, Ralph E. (s)	Jones, Robert A. (f)
Gamage, Henry C. (m)	Kane, Lawrence (s)
Gantzel, John H. (f)	Kane, Lawrence R. (s)
Gardel, Fortuna (2m 1f)	Kazeniac, Stanley (m)
Gatenby, Frederick W. (s)	King, James A. (m)
Gelinas, Hervey J. (s)	Knight, Stephen M. (f)
Gelinas, Wilfred (m)	Kofonicos, John V. (m)
Gibbons, James W. (m)	Kostechko, Simon (m)

Lahme, Paul W. (m)
 Lambert, Benjamin DeF. (m)
 Lamie, Arthur J. Jr. (m)
 Lamy, Charles (m)
 Lamy, Joseph (m)
 Lavigne, Stanley J. (m)
 Leedberg, Clarence O. (m)
 LeFebre, Eva A. (m)
 Lefebvre, Dorothy S. (s)
 Lehtinen, T. Edwin (s)
 LePage, Dorothy R. (s)
 Levasseur, Louis (m)
 Mack, Paul F. (m)
 MacPhail, Lillian P. (f)
 MacQuarrie, William Q. (m)
 Maffini, Carlo (m)
 Maguire, Francis C. (m)
 Mann, Clarence W. (m)
 Mann, Dulce J. (2f)
 Mann, Mabel E. (s)
 Marshall, Michael (m)
 Maslbias, Stanley (m)
 Mason, Elmer B. (k4)
 McCarthy, Arthur (m)
 McDonald, Barbara B. (f)
 McDonald, Paul L. (m)
 McLenna, Edward F. (m)
 Melancon, Paul (f)
 Merrick, Mary (m)
 Michelson, Jacob (2m)
 Mignault, Albert R. (f)
 Miller, F. Everett (m)
 Miller, Rita H. (f)
 Millet, William A. (m)
 Milot, Arthur J. (s)
 Milot, Charles C. (m)
 Milot, Lucien J. (m)
 Milot, Wilfred T. (m)
 Moore, Williard F. Jr. (f)
 Moran, Paul F. (m)
 Mountain, Albert E. (f)
 Mountain, Edward P. (m)
 Mountain, Shirley M. (m)
 Munroe, Albert H. (s)
 Munroe, Howard T. (2s)
 Neal, Donald E. (f)
 Nelson, Max (1m 1s)
 Nesmith, Norman K. (m)
 Nixon, Warren M. (m)
 Nowers, Frances L. (s)
 Nylund, Carl R. (s)
 O'Connell, William L. (s)
 O'Leary, Charles G. (s)
 Olson, Harold A. (m)
 Olsson, David I. (s)
 Orr, Robert J. (m)
 Ouellette, Grace M. (s)
 Pearson, Lois (m)
 Pedersen, Nicholas (m)
 Perkins, Joseph J. (m)
 Perkins, Robert B. (m)
 Perkins, Thomas H. (m)
 Petersen, John (m)
 Peterson, David G. (m)
 Phillips, Donald R. (s)
 Picking, Bernice G. (m)
 Picking, Frederick H. (m)
 Picking, Margaret G. (m)
 Pote, Guy S. (m)
 Poulin, Ernest L. (3s)
 Profita, Joseph M. (s)
 Provost, Edmund L. (m)
 Provost, Gerard (m)
 Provost, Mary A. (m)
 Randall, Robert E. (m)
 Reeves, George E. (m)
 Richards, Samuel A. (2m)
 Riel, Hermas I. (s)
 Robbins, Catherine E. (m)
 Robinson, William E. (m)
 Robinson, William E. Jr. (m)
 Rogers, Edmund D. (1m 1s)
 Rollins, Carroll J. (s)
 Romanowsky, Arnold P. (m)
 Rooks, Beverly J. (s)
 Roudenbush, William C. (s)
 Roux, Napoleon (m)
 Russell, Edward F. (m)
 Ryan, James L. (m)
 Sawosik, Michael (m)

Schwartz, William R. (s)	Vickers, Ephraim (m)
Scott, David C. (f)	Voropay, Nicholas P. (m)
Scott, Everett A. (2m)	Vyskoska, Mary (m)
Sienkiewicz, John (s)	Walker, Joseph F. (m)
Simons, Sigmund (s)	Walker, Robert J. (m)
Smith, F. Stanley (s)	Walsh Michael J. (s)
Smith, Paul F. (m)	Wark, Donald T. (m)
Smith, Robert G. (f)	White, Mary B. (m)
Stannlonis, Jacob (1m 1f)	Whitney, Grace L. (m)
Stone, Ellen L. (k4)	Whitney, Hamilton E. (1m 1f)
Sudak, Constantine (f)	Whitney, Harry G. (m)
Sudak, Nicholas Jr. (m)	Whitney, John W. (2m)
Sullivan, Edward T. (m)	Whitney, Nathaniel R. (m)
Sundberg, Rupert F. (m)	Whitney, Warren W. (m)
Swanson, Varnum H. (m)	Wilder, George S. (m)
Tandus, John (m)	Williamson, Oscar (f)
Taylor, William R. (m)	Wilson, Raymond S. (s)
Tebbetts, George R. (m)	Wilson T. Arthur E. (m)
Tereshko, Walter (m)	Woitowicz, Florian (m)
Thompson, James F. (m)	Wood, Francis C. (m)
Thompson, Raymond E. (m)	Woodard, Rita (s)
Todd, Herman L. (m)	Wright, Frank A. (m)
Totton, Thomas F. (2m)	Wyman, Carl P. (f)
Tousignant, Zoel (f)	Wyman, David L. (m)
Traversa, Antonio J. (m)	Wyman, Shirley C. (m)
Tuttle, Richard A. (m)	Young, Catherine S. (m)
Tuttle, Ruth P. (s)	Young, M. Allan (m)
Upton, Frank (m)	Zubowicz, Leon ,m)
Vervaert, Marcel (m)	

NOTE: (m) Male, (f) Female, (s) Spayed Female, (k) Kennel.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING—FEBRUARY 17, 1947

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Monday, February 17, 1947, at one o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, was sworn in by Charles L. Hildreth, Town Clerk, and called the Meeting to order.

Rev. Max D. Gaebler, Pastor of the First Parish Church United, offered prayer.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

The Canvass of the Votes Cast at the Town Election, February 10th, made by the Board of Registrars, was read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that the Report of the Committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 33 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held February 18, 1946, to work in conjunction with the School Committee for the purpose of investigating the advisability of and need for a new school building be accepted as a Report of Progress and that the time for making the Committee's final Report be extended until the next Annual Town Meeting. The Chairman, Chester V. Sweatt, having resigned it was voted that the Moderator appoint a new Chairman of this Committee.

Voted that the Report of the Fire House Committee appointed under Article 27 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held February 18, 1946, be accepted as a Report of Progress and that the time for making the Committee's Report be extended until the next Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the compensation of Town Officers be as follows: Selectmen — Chairman \$225.00 — other two Members \$200.00 each; Board of Public Welfare — Chairman \$20.00, other two Members \$10.00 each;

Town Treasurer — \$1,560.00;

Town Clerk \$400.00;

Collector of Taxes \$1,400.00;

Tree Warden \$0.82½ per hour;

Assessors \$7.00 per day of eight hours;

Registrars and Assistant Registrars of Voters \$7.00 per day of eight hours for Listing as required by law.

ARTICLE 3.

1. Voted that the sum of \$10,385.00 be raised and appropriated for General Government, divided as follows:

Selectmen \$925.00

License Expenses \$75.00

Town Treasurer \$1,910.00

Town Accountant \$1,175.00

Assessors \$1,500.00

Tax Collector \$1,750.00

Town Counsel \$300.00

• Tax Title Expense \$750.00

Town Clerk \$700.00

Election and Registration \$1,300.00

2. Voted that the sum of \$4,300.00 be raised and appropriated for the General Expenses of the Town Hall.

3. Voted that the sum of \$7,675.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Police Department.

4. Voted that the sum of \$8,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Fire Department, divided as follows:

General Expenses \$8,000.00

Permanent Man 500.00

5. Voted to defer action under this Item until after Article 25 has been taken up.

6. Voted that the sum of \$125.00 be raised and appropriated for the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

7. Voted that the sum of \$75.00 be raised and appropriated for the Salary and Expenses of the Fish and Game Warden.

8. Voted that the sum of \$1,800.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Fighting Forest Fires.

9. Voted that the sum of \$50.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Town Forest.

10. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Tree Warden.

11. Voted that the sum of \$900.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Moth Department.

12. Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Health Department.

13. Voted that the sum of \$150.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expense of the Cattle Inspector.

14.A Voted that the sum of \$7,500.00 be raised and appropriated for Snow and Ice Removal.

14.B Voted that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Roads.

15. Voted that the sum of \$35,500.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Welfare Department, divided as follows:

Temporary Aid and Infirmary	\$15,000.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,500.00	
Old Age Assistance	17,000.00	\$35,500.00

16. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Soldier's Benefits.

17. It was moved that the sum of \$101,100.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the School Department, but not to include the Expenses of maintaining the Nabnasset School from September 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947, and that the further sum of \$1,400.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Nabnasset School from September 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947.

Voted to take up each part of this Motion separately.

Voted that the sum of \$101,100.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the School Department, but not to include the Expenses of maintaining the Nabnasset School from September 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947.

Voted that the further sum of \$1,400.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Nabnasset School from September 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947.

Voted to Reconsider Article 17.

Voted that the sum of \$102,500.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the School Department and, that it is the sense of the Meeting, that the Nabnasset School be not closed.

18. Voted that the sum of \$800.00 be raised and appropriated for Vocational School Tuition.

19. Voted that the sum of \$3,300.00 be raised and appropriated, together with the Receipts from Dog Licenses in 1946, to defray the Expenses of the Public Library.

20. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of the Common.

21. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Commemorating Memorial Day.

22. Voted that the sum of \$815.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Publishing and Distributing the Town Reports.

23. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Compensation Insurance.

24. Voted that the sum of \$2,650.00 be raised and appropriated for Fire Insurance.

25. Voted that the sum of \$25.00 be raised and appropriated for Interest on Revenue Loans.

26. Voted that the sum of \$2,900.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of Cemeteries.

27. Voted to defer action under this Item until after Articles

27, 28 and 29 have been taken up.

ARTICLE 27. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Oak Hill Road at the intersection of Lake Shore Drive.

ARTICLE 28. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Oak Hill Road in the vicinity of Tower Road or Grove Street.

ARTICLE 29. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Coolidge Avenue in Nabnasset.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to take up Article 3 Item 27.

27. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,139.00 for Street Lighting.

28. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be used as a Reserve Fund at the discretion of the Finance Committee as provided in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6,

and that the further sum of \$10.00 be raised and appropriated to be used by the Finance Committee for payment of Membership in the Association of Town Finance Committees.

29. Voted that the sum of \$3,297.72 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying Unpaid Bills of 1946 to be divided as follows:

This Vote was unanimous.

TOWN CLERK: Austin D. Fletcher (Sherman H. Fletcher Ins. Agency) \$7.50

TOWN HALL: Philip T. Prescott \$16.50

POLICE: William L. Wall \$36.50; William L. Wall \$11.20; Louis F. Oliver \$6.80; John J. O'Connell \$13.60; Lowell Motor Sales Inc. \$1.75; New England Tel. and Tel. \$12.77; TOTAL: \$82.62

FIRE DEPARTMENT: J. A. Healy & Sons \$18.00; Lowell Electric Light Corp. \$6.52; Lowell Gas Light Company \$3.00; New England Telephone and Telegraph Company \$10.51; North Side Jenney Service \$5.27; Scotty's Service \$25.58; Tadmuck Oil Co. \$7.50; TOTAL: \$76.38

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Cyril A. Blaney, M. D. \$50.00; Dwight W. Cowles, M. D. \$51.00; TOTAL: \$101.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Machinery Account; C. G. Sargent's Sons \$13.63; Reeves' Garage \$33.04; TOTAL: \$46.67

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL: Socony Vacuum Oil \$57.38; J. A. Healy & Sons \$75.25; J. C. Bennett Hardware \$8.70; Dyar Sales \$245.05; J. A. Kimball \$84.00; John Shea \$204.50; Abbot Worsted Company \$107.50; Arthur J. Deforge \$66.50; TOTAL: \$848.88

WELFARE DEPARTMENT—INFIRMARY: United Co-op Farmers Inc. \$313.06; Sunshine Feed Store \$4.25; Frederick Burnham \$6.40; Lowell Electric Light Corp. \$12.66; William L. Wall \$181.75; John F. McGovern \$10.00; N. Sudak \$37.92; Nashua Baking Co. Inc. \$28.44; Lowell Gas Light Co. \$4.41; TOTAL: \$598.89

TEMPORARY AID: Mass. Dept. Public Welfare \$411.00; Austin D. Fletcher \$26.00; Board Public Welfare, Tyngsboro \$137.00; Div. Child Guardianship \$199.00; TOTAL: \$773.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE: Various Persons: \$157.14; Lowell General Hospital \$75.00; Bureau of Old Age Assistance,

Dracut \$32.87; Lowell \$309.44; Dracut \$64.02; Boston \$43.13; Pepperell \$64.68; TOTAL: \$746.28

ARTICLE 4. Voted unanimously that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Revenue of the Current Financial Year and to issue a Note or Notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. Voted that the sum of \$10,125.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that, in addition, the sum of \$18,225.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 6. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, on condition that like amounts be contributed by either or both the State and County respectively, to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 7. Voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen to act as its Agent in any suit or suits which may arise during the current year, with authority to settle and adjust claims or demands for or against the Town, and to employ counsel whenever in their judgment it is advisable so to do.

ARTICLE 8. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the care of the Whitney Playground.

ARTICLE 9. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for Band Concerts during the current year.

ARTICLE 10. Voted that the sum of \$276.56 be raised and appropriated for the Machinery Fund, and that the sum of \$1,881.01 be transferred from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 11. Voted that the sum of \$10.00 be raised and appropriated for Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics and that a Director be elected, under the Provisions of Chapter 128, Sections 40-45 of the General Laws, as amended.
Mabel M. Nixon was unanimously elected Director.

ARTICLE 12. Voted that the Town accept a gift made to it by the Isabel F. Hyams' Fund, Inc. formerly known as the Solomon Hyams' Fund, Inc. and that the Town Clerk be authorized and directed to extend to said Corporation the appreciation of the Town for this gift.

ARTICLE 13. Voted that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of reconstructing the Groton Road, contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 14. Voted that the sum of \$2,400.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a new truck for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. Voted that the Selectmen be, and hereby are authorized to sell and to transfer, by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale, title to two trucks now used by the Highway Department and apply the sum received therefrom against the purchase price of the new truck.

ARTICLE 16. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of making repairs to and painting the Fire House Cottage and repairing and painting window sash on the Fire House at Westford Center.

ARTICLE 17. Voted that the sum of \$375.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing and installing in the Fire House at Westford Center an Oil Burner, said purchase and installation to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 18. Voted that the sum of \$6,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a new Fire Truck, having

a pumping capacity of five hundred (500) gallons per minute, said purchase to be made under the supervision of a Committee consisting of seven members, to be appointed by the Moderator, consisting of the three Fire Engineers, the three Fire Captains and one member of the Finance Board.

Voted to reconsider this Article.

Voted that a Committee of six, composed of the three Fire Engineers and the three Fire Captains, study the needs of a new Fire Truck and report to a Special Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 19. Voted that the sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing and installing in the Fire Truck now stationed at Forge Village a new pump having a pumping capacity of five hundred (500) gallons per minute, said purchase and installation to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 20. Voted that the sum of \$625.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing five hundred (500) feet of new two and one half (2½) inch double jacket treated Fire Hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 21. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of cleaning and maintenance of the several water holes or reservoirs in the various sections of the Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 22. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of celebrating the return of men and women who served in or were affiliated or associated with any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 23. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 24. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to an Appropriation for the Control of Poison Ivy, such an Appropriation not being allowed by State Law.

ARTICLE 25. Voted that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are authorized, in the name and behalf of the Town, to enter into a contract with the Westford Water Company for a period not to exceed five years, on such terms and conditions as they deem advisable, for three Hydrants to be located as follows:

One on Pleasant Street between Abbot Street and Patten Road;

One near the corner of Brookside Road and Lowell Road; and

One on Lowell Road easterly from Brookside Road.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to take up Article 3 Item 5.

5. Voted that the sum of \$3,455.00 be raised and appropriated for Fire Hydrants.

ARTICLE 26. Voted that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are authorized, in the name and behalf of the Town, to enter into a contract with the Westford Water Company for Hydrant Service for a period not to exceed five years on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem advisable.

ARTICLE 30. Voted that the Town accept a gift from Richard W. Hall, George E. Reeves, George D. Gower and A. Michael Woznac, of a triangular parcel of land situated on the Southeasterly side of Main Street in Graniteville, together with the Monument erected thereon in honor of those residents of Graniteville who served in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II.

ARTICLE 31. Voted that the action taken under Article 2 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held June 15, 1937, which related to the Compensation of members of the Fire Department, be rescinded.

ARTICLE 32. Voted that the Town accept the Provisions of Section 4B of Chapter 136 of the General Laws relative to the granting of Licenses by the Board of Selectmen for the operation of Bowling Alleys on the Lord's Day.

ARTICLE 33. Voted not to authorize the Board of Assessors to use as Free Cash, a sum of money not to exceed \$15,000.00, said amount to be approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation of the Commonwealth, and said sum to be applied in determining the tax rate for the current year 1947.

ARTICLE 34. Voted that the term of office for the Moderator be changed from a one year to a three year term and that beginning with the next Annual Town Election, the Moderator be elected for the term of three years.

ARTICLE 35. Voted to accept the verbal Report of the Committee on By-Laws.

Voted that the Town rescind its By-Laws as adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held February 11, 1924 and any Amendments or Additions thereto adopted subsequent to that time, and that the By-Laws as set forth in the Warrant for this Meeting, as amended at this Meeting, be adopted as By-Laws of the Town, and that the sum of \$150.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of printing and publishing the same. The following By-Laws were adopted under this vote.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.

Town Meetings and the Procedure Thereat

SECTION 1. The Annual Meeting for the election of Town Officers shall be held on the first Monday of March in each year. The Polls shall be opened at 12:00 o'clock noon and shall remain open until 8:00 o'clock P. M.

SECTION 2. All business of the Annual Town Meeting except the election of such Officers and the determination of such matters as by law or vote of the Town are required to be elected or determined **by ballot shall be considered at said Meeting on the Saturday following called at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon.**

SECTION 3. Notice of every Town Meeting shall be given by posting an attested copy of the Warrant at the Town Hall and each Post Office in Westford at least seven days before such Meeting.

SECTION 4. Special Town Meetings shall be called on any day not earlier than 7:30 o'clock P. M. except that on Saturday they may be called not earlier than 2:00 o'clock P. M.

SECTION 5. The proceedings of Town Meetings shall be governed by the rules of practice contained in Roberts' Rules of Order except as modified by law or by the By-Laws.

SECTION 6. At any Town Meeting held for the transaction of town business, no person whose name is not on the list of voters shall be admitted to the floor of the Hall except those who may be invited by the Meeting assembled. It shall be the special duty of the Police and Election Officers to enforce this law by use of the check list, but the same shall not apply to the State Election, Primaries or Meetings for the Election of Town Officers, or to be construed to prohibit press reporters from such admission. The Moderator shall determine the bounds of the floor of the Hall.

SECTION 7. All Committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise specially directed by the Meeting and all Committees so appointed shall be directed to report within a definite time. If a Committee does not report within the time stated, or at the first Annual Town Meeting held thereafter, it shall be considered discharged. The Moderator shall not be a member of any Committee appointed by him.

SECTION 8. All Motions shall be presented in writing, if the Moderator so requests.

ARTICLE II.

Duties of the Finance Committee

SECTION 1. There shall be a Finance Committee of six voters of the Town, no one of whom shall hold an elective or appointive Town office having to do with the expenditure of Town money. The members of this Committee shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties and shall serve without pay.

SECTION 2. The Finance Committee shall be appointed by the Moderator. The first Committee shall be appointed as follows: Two for one year, two for two years and two for three years. At the Annual Meeting in each year thereafter, two members of said Committee to serve for the term of three years shall be appointed by the Moderator. The term of office for said members shall commence on March 1st of the year of their appointment. Said Committee shall meet at the call of the Town Clerk and choose its Chairman and Clerk. The Moderator shall forthwith fill by appointment any vacancies which occur in its membership and said appointee shall serve for the remainder of his predecessor's term of office.

SECTION 3. The Finance Committee shall consider matters relating to the appropriation, the borrowing and the expenditure of

money by the Town, its indebtedness, the methods of administration of its various offices and departments, property valuation and assessments, and other municipal affairs, and make recommendations to the Town or to any Town Board, Officer or Committee, relative to such matters, also Articles in Town Warrants involving the expenditure or appropriation of money and shall approve or disapprove the same in whole or in part, and shall make report to the voters with such recommendations or suggestions as the Committee shall deem advisable.

SECTION 4. The Town Accountant shall immediately upon the close of the financial year compile statements in tabulated form showing the amounts appropriated and the amounts expended from each appropriation during the preceding year, and the estimates for the current year, and shall forthwith furnish a copy thereof to the Finance Committee to consider and report on proposed appropriations. The said Committee shall, after due consideration, designate the amounts which in their opinion should be appropriated for the ensuing year, and shall accompany the same with such explanations and suggestions in relation thereto as they may deem desirable for the proper information of the voters. The Selectmen shall print and distribute this document at or before the Annual Town Meeting and the Town Clerk shall transmit a copy thereof, and of all Town Reports to the Director of Accounts. The Committee shall furnish to the Selectmen on or before February 20th of each year a report of the matters so considered by it with recommendations or suggestions relative thereto, and the same shall be printed in the Annual Town Report.

ARTICLE III

Duties of the Board of Health

SECTION 1. The Board of Health shall annually make a report to be printed in the Annual Town Report, showing in detail the statistics of the health and sanitary condition of the Town, with recommendations for its improvement, together with a full and comprehensive statement of its work and that of its appointees during the previous year. The Board shall make and publish such regulations as it deems necessary for public health and safety, and from time to time shall cause said rules and regulations to be printed in a form suitable for public distribution.

SECTION 2. They shall have charge of the appropriations for quarantine purposes, in addition to the regular health appropriation, and any special appropriation which may be made by the Town, which concern the health and sanitation of the Town, not specifically entrusted to any other department.

ARTICLE IV

Junk Dealers and Collectors of Junk

SECTION 1. The Selectmen may license suitable persons to be dealers in and keepers of shops for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second-hand articles; they may also license suitable persons as junk collectors, to collect by purchase, or otherwise, junk, old metals, and second-hand articles from place to place in said Town; and they may provide that such collectors shall display badges upon their persons or upon their vehicles, or upon both when engaged in collecting, transporting or dealing in junk, old metals, or second-hand articles, and may prescribe the design thereof. Fees for such license shall be \$5.00.

SECTION 2. Every such shopkeeper shall keep a book, in which shall be written at the time of every purchase of any such article a description thereof and the name, age and residence of the person from whom and the day and hour, when such purchase was made and such book shall at any time be open to the inspection of the Selectmen and by any person by them authorized to make such inspection.

SECTION 3. Every such shopkeeper shall allow his shop and all articles of merchandise therein to be at any time examined by the Selectmen and by any person by them authorized to make such inspection, and every collector shall allow any place, vehicles or receptacle used for the collection or keeping of such articles of merchandise to be at any time examined by the Selectmen and by any person by them authorized to make such inspection.

ARTICLE V

Streets and Sidewalks

SECTION 1. No person shall suffer horses or grazing beasts or swine to run at large in the Town or to graze within the limits of the highway in the thickly settled parts of the Town; or to graze within the limits of the highway in any other part of the Town unless securely tied.

SECTION 2. No person shall throw stones, snowballs, sticks, or other missiles, or kick football, or play at any game, in which a ball is used, or fly kites or balloons, or shoot with an airgun, bow and arrow, sling shot or other similar device, in or across any of the public ways of the Town.

SECTION 3. No person shall wilfully or negligently obstruct the free passage of foot-travellers on any sidewalk, nor shall any person loaf upon any sidewalk or in any street or public way of the Town after a request to move made by any Constable or Police Officer.

SECTION 4. No person shall break or dig up any sidewalk, street or highway, or place thereon any staging or other temporary structure, or move any building into or along the same without a written permit from the Board of Selectmen or the Board having charge of the streets in such cases. Any permit issued hereunder shall be in force for such time as the Board may specify; shall be issued upon condition that from one half hour after sunset until one half hour before sunrise sufficient lights or lanterns shall be so placed as to secure travellers from danger and shall be issued upon such other conditions as the Board may prescribe. The Board granting such permit shall have the right to revoke the same at any time, and may require a bond either before the commencement of work or during its progress to insure its proper performance. Any person having such a permit shall, before the expiration of the same, restore the sidewalk, street, or highway to its original condition.

SECTION 5. No person shall throw or place or cause to be thrown or placed upon any street or highway of the Town, any nails, spikes, screws, glass, tin cans or any rubbish or refuse of any kind.

SECTION 6. No person shall deface or damage any public monument or damage any public grounds or property.

SECTION 7. No person shall ride, drive or cause to be driven, any horse or vehicle over that part of any street which is being mended, repaired or paved, if a watchman or signs are placed prohibiting the same.

SECTION 8. The Selectmen shall have the right to close any street or highway or portion thereof to coasting.

SECTION 9. No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any street or highway nor shall any owner of any vehicle knowingly permit such vehicle to be driven or moved on any street or highway unless such vehicle is so constructed, or so loaded, as to prevent its contents from spilling, dropping, sifting, leaking or otherwise escaping therefrom. Vehicles loaded with any material which may be blown about by the wind shall be suitably covered to prevent the contents from being blown about the streets and highways.

ARTICLE VI

Legal Affairs

SECTION 1. The Selectmen shall, with the assistance of Town Counsel, institute, prosecute and defend any and all claims, actions and proceedings to which the Town is a party or in which the interests of the Town are or may be involved.

SECTION 2. The Selectmen may, subject to the approval of the Town, settle any claim or suit made or instituted by them in behalf of the Town. They may compromise or settle any claims or suits against the Town, provided an appropriation by the Town for the payment of such compromise or settlement has first been obtained.

ARTICLE VII

Penalty

SECTION 1. Whoever violates any of the provisions of these By-Laws shall be punished with a fine of not more than twenty dollars for each offense unless specifically provided otherwise herein.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

SECTION 1. These By-Laws may be repealed or amended at any Annual Town Meeting an Article or Articles for such purpose having been inserted in the Warrant for such Meeting.

ARTICLE IX

Repeal

SECTION 1. These By-Laws shall go into effect upon their acceptance by the Town and their approval and publication in the manner required by law, and all the By-Laws or votes of the Town inconsistent with these By-Laws are hereby repealed.

ARTICLE 36. Voted that the sum of \$100.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Department of Veterans' Services, including the compensation of the Director of Veterans' Services, as provided in Chapter 599 of the Acts of 1946.

ARTICLE 37. Voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 38. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk, Westford.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION—FEBRUARY 10, 1947

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Whole Number of Ballots Cast	356	247	122	379	1104

SELECTMAN

Cyril A. Blaney	97	152	50	172	471
Lawrence J. Charlton	12	28	5	19	64
Clifford J. Courchaine	4	26	11	136	177
Thomas Curley	175	23	28	23	249
Samuel A. Richards	63	15	26	18	122
Blanks	5	3	2	11	21

ASSESSOR

Victor B. Daly	79	101	36	258	474
Carroll J. Rollins	239	39	65	38	381
Edward J. St. Onge	29	98	20	71	218
Blanks	9	9	1	12	31

TREASURER

Charlotte P. Greig	321	179	104	259	863
Cyril A. Blaney	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	34	68	18	120	240

TAX COLLECTOR

David I. Olsson	325	182	110	267	884
John Catchpole	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	31	65	12	111	319

CONSTABLE

John F. Sullivan	309	175	105	285	874
Kent Allen	0	1	0	0	1
Francis Wood	0	1	0	0	1
Augustus Elliot	0	0	0	1	1
Victor Doucette	0	1	0	0	1
Bob Spinner	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	46	69	17	93	225

MODERATOR

Ben W. Drew	313	161	103	245	822
Blanks	43	86	19	134	282

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

William L. Wall	280	166	98	251	795
Bill Robinson	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	76	80	24	128	308

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—Vote for Two

Robert M. Hunter	93	69	53	120	335
James L. Knowlton	196	106	66	148	516
F. Stanley Smith	182	118	45	82	427
Alfred T. Wark	111	30	25	18	184
Edwin J. Webber	24	68	10	215	317
Blanks	106	103	45	175	429

TRUSTEE OF THE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY

Alice M. Howard	302	158	102	241	803
Clifford Courchaine	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	54	89	20	137	300

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER

Sebastian B. Watson	290	155	99	227	771
Arthur Milot	0	1	0	0	1
Robert J. Orr	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	66	91	23	151	331

BOARD OF HEALTH

Ralph E. Cole	307	166	108	244	825
Blanks	49	81	14	135	279

TREE WARDEN

Harry L. Nesmith	302	170	104	247	823
Blanks	54	77	18	132	281

“Shall the provisions of section forty of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, as amended, relative to equal pay for men and women teachers be in force in this town?”

Yes	183	116	71	167	537
No	59	26	13	27	125
Blanks	114	105	38	185	442

We hereby certify that the above is a true canvass of the Votes Cast at the Annual Town Election held February 10, 1947.

ATTEST:

PAUL L. DUNIGAN,

JAMES J. McKNIFF,

NORMAN E. DAY,

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Board of Registrars of Voters,

Westford.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—MARCH 4, 1947

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Tuesday, March 4, 1947, at eight o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

In the absence of Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, Charles L. Hildreth, Town Clerk, called the Meeting to order.

The Chair asked for nominations of a Moderator Pro Tem. William R. Taylor was nominated. It was moved and then voted that nominations be closed. William R. Taylor was elected Moderator Pro Tem and was sworn in by the Town Clerk.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

Voted to accept the written Report of the Fire Committee, appointed under Article 18 of the Annual Town Meeting held February 17, 1947, and that it be placed on file.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate or, with the approval of the Tax Commissioner, transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$7,000.00, for the purpose of purchasing a New Fire Truck having a Pumping Capacity of at least five hundred (500) gallons per minute. Said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the Town accept the gift of a Cadillac Ambulance, subject to the conditions imposed by the donors thereof and, as set forth in the Bill of Sale presented to the Town. Said conditions being:

1. That this Ambulance be placed permanently under the care, supervision and control of the Board of Fire Engineers and
2. That it be stationed permanently in the Fire House at Westford Center.

A standing vote of thanks was given to those soliciting the funds which provided this fine gift.

Voted that the Board of Fire Engineers be and hereby are authorized to make such Rules and Regulations as they may see fit governing the use of the Ambulance just given to the Town.

ARTICLE 3. Voted that the Expenses of Operating and Maintaining the Ambulance just given to the Town be charged to and paid out of the Account entitled "Fire Department—General Expense" and that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the General Expenses of the Fire Department. Said sum to be in addition to the sum already appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 4. Voted that the Board of Fire Engineers be and hereby are authorized to sell and transfer, by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale, title to an Old Trailer now used by the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to accept the minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 6. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk, Westford.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—APRIL 21, 1947

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1947, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

A Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00, for the purpose of celebrating the return of men and women who served in or were affiliated or associated with any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II, said sum to be in addition to the sum already appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting held February 17, 1947, was lost by a vote of YES 24, No 61.

Voted to accept the minutes of the Meeting.

Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Westford:

The Board organized at the beginning of the year with Arthur L. Healy, Chairman; Edward F. Harrington, Secretary, and Cyril A. Blaney.

The Annual Audit was made by the Director of Accounts and a copy is printed herein.

The reports of different departments are printed in this report.

In addition to the regular meetings special sessions were found necessary. A lot of time and effort was spent to have a celebration for the veterans, all plans were made and then at the Special Town meeting in April the money needed in addition to the regular appropriation was voted down.

In accordance with State regulations it was necessary to install an Auxiliary lighting system in the Town Hall and place safety bars on the doors.

We have written and contacted the Lowell Electric Light many times about installing the street lights that have been voted at the different Town Meetings, but they still claim it is impossible to obtain the material necessary to install same.

During the year we had the Town By-laws published and printed and copies distributed to the various departments.

A new furnace was installed to replace the one in the front of the Town Hall and the furnace in the rear of the hall was repaired.

Several trees in the Town were badly in need of having limbs removed and others had to be taken down completely as they were endangering the lives of people walking near them. It was necessary to contact an outside contractor to do this work, which was done at no expense to the Town.

Attended several meetings and hearings regarding the signs at the Forge Village crossing, the work was not done in the past year, but agreements are all made and it will be done very soon.

Also have contacted the State and County and work is to be done this year on repairing Town Farm Road and replacing the bridge.

Had several meetings with the Westford Water Company regarding the new contract, which was agreed upon for five years.

Appointed a Fuel Committee to take care of the needs of the people of the Town for fuel during the shortage now existing.

Signed,

ARTHUR L. HEALY
CYRIL A. BLANEY
EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Board of Selectmen,

Westford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is my report for the year ending December 31, 1947:

CHAPTER 81 AND HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

The usual highway maintenance was carried out during the year, which included the use of pea stone, gravel, tar, asphalt, sand, and patch on our various streets and those that come under our Chapter 81 Contract.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Groton road, Chapter 90 construction was delayed due to the fact necessary work on other streets started earlier in the year had to be completed. Although this project was late in getting underway, we had favorable weather and with the use of power equipment the construction progressed rapidly and was finished in November, 1947.

Respectfully yours,

J. AUSTIN HEALY

Supt. of Streets.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Westford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1947 for the Police Department.

Report to the Department of Correction has been made.

Arrests made	18
Assault and Battery	5
Abandoned Autos	4
Auto Violations	14
Auto Accidents	26
Auto Transfers	62
Auto Registration	12
Auto Licenses revoked	9
Appeals Cases to Superior Court	6
Cases in Ayer Court	15
Collected for Liquor Licenses	\$1,769.08
Collected for Sunday Licenses	\$42.00
Complaints against dog	14
Complaints investigated Cruelty to Animals	4
Complaints on dead animals left on top of ground	6
Complaints on Suspicious Persons	12
Camp and Houses broken into	6
Dogs Killed by Automobiles	8
Dogs shot	7
Duty at Public Gathering	37
Dances	24
Driving under the influence of liquor	3
Driving so to Endanger	5
Disturbance of the Peace	14
Drunkenness	22
Driving without a License	2
Drowning accidents	1
Fruit Thieves	4
Family Disturbances	72
Fires Attended	12
Funerals Attended	18
Idle and Disorderly	4
Investigations made	562
In Lockup at Town Farm	21
Jurors	5

Breaking and entering in the night time	4
Men taken to Jail	6
Leaving scene after injury to property	2
Larceny Complaints	24
Notices Posted	21
Public Nuisances in beer places	32
Pedestrians struck by automobiles	3
Petty Complaints	338
Summonses and notices served	56
Warrants served	8
Electric wires down on street	12
Inspection of Camps when the roads are open	
Malicious injury to property	42
Patients taken to Gardner State Hospital	4
Receiving stolen goods	3
Driving so as to endanger	4
\$31,000 robbery at Forge Village where five men have been arrested.	

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Officer Connell, and the other Special Officers of the Town of Westford, also the State Police, for their advice, cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SULLIVAN,

Chief of Police.

JURY LIST 1948

Name	Occupation	Address
Athorn, George	Welder	9 Palermo St.
Bobryk, Peter	Millhand	Prescott St.
Boisvert, William J.	Millhand	Story St.
Brule, Josephat	Millhand	Off Coolidge St.
Carver, William	Mechanic	Main St.
Connell, Earl J.	Millhand	Prescott St.
Charlton, Lawrence J.	Machinist	Lowell Rd.
Charlton, Leo	Machinist	Main St. G.
Courchaine, Clifford	Millhand	Pine St.
Crickett, Joseph	Fireman	Prescott St.
Denisevich, Anthony	Painter	Broadway
Ellison, Jacob E.	Overseer	Fourth St.
Furbush, William C.	Retired	Broadway
Grenier, Alberic	Storekeeper	Main St. G.
Hanson, Axel F.	Machinist	Main St.
Healy, J. Austin Jr.	Clerk	Broadway
Kavanagh, Norman	Millhand	Canal St.
Kelley, James	Woolsorter	Lincoln Ave.
Knowlton, James L.	Storekeeper	Main St.
Laferriere, Edmond N.	Millhand	Story St.
Lavigne, Francis	Laborer	Nabnasset St.
MacQuarrie, William Q.	Millhand	Moore St.
McKniff, James	Painter	Orchard St.
Nesmith, Norman K.	Farmer	Concord Rd.
Nyder, Frank	Millhand	First St.
Oliver, James J.	Machinist	North St.
Palmer, Mark	Granite Dealer	Main St. G.
Peterson, Edgar S.	Truck Driver	Brookside Rd.
Pickup, Albert	Retired	Brookside Rd.
Robinson, Fred	Farmer	Boston Rd.
St. Onge, George E.	Permanent Fireman	Boston Rd.
Sudak, Nicholas Jr.	Millhand	Main St. G.
Swanson, Varnum H.	Truck Driver	Brookside Rd.
Targ, Theodore J.	Millhand	Broadway
Tousignant, Adelard	Taxi Owner	Broadway
Whitney, Roland	Mechanic	Main St.
Woznac, Alexander M.	Machinist	Fourth St.
Wright, Frank A.	Janitor	Hildreth St.
York, John	Erector	Broadway
Young, Wallace	Wool Sorter	Bradford St.

ARTHUR L. HEALY

CYRIL A. BLANEY

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

Selectmen of Westford

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of the Town of Westford:

I herewith present the annual report of the Town Accountant in accordance with the General Laws.

All are reminded that all books are open to the public for Inspection at any time, by the Accountant.

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

Current Year

Poll	\$ 1,548.00
Personal	15,969.80
Real Estate	127,140.80

\$144,658.60

Previous Years

Poll	\$ 34.00
Personal	473.92
Real Estate	9,977.43

\$ 10,485.35

Tax title Redemption 297.63

From State:

Corporation Tax	\$ 28,674.08
Income Tax	26,257.90
Old Age Assistance Meal Tax ..	932.64
Chapter 719	6,987.45

\$ 62,852.07

Withholding Tax 11,131.66

From County: Dog Taxes 382.67

Permits and Licenses:

Liquor	\$ 2,179.07
Music	17.00
Sunday	48.00
Health	32.50
Movie	28.00
Gasoline	42.00
Milk	4.00
Taxi	1.00
Miscellaneous	42.00
Second Hand and Junk	20.00
Pedlers	5.00

Pistol	9.00	
		\$ 2,427.57
Court Fines		162.00
Dog Taxes		875.20
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax:		
Current Year	\$ 7,494.49	
Previous Year	229.46	
		\$ 7,723.95

Grants and Gifts:

From Federal Government

Old Age Assistance	\$ 16,396.80
Aid to Dependent Children	1,643.48

\$ 18,040.28

Departmental Revenue:

Collector	\$ 21.70
Town Hall	\$ 204.80
Fire Department	29.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	57.31
Health	210.00
Moth	30.00

\$ 552.81

Highways:

State	\$ 16,999.58
County	1,901.81
Work for individuals	42.50
Sale of Equipment	1,330.00
Machinery Fund	3,465.88

\$ 23,739.77

Welfare:

Infirmary	\$ 8,873.95
Infirmary from Towns	1,799.36
Aid to Dependent Children—	
State	2,521.24
Old Age Assistance—State	11,338.16

\$ 24,532.71

Soldiers Benefits—State 137.50

Schools:

Tuition—State and Towns	\$ 1,837.52
Tuition—Individuals	169.48

All other from schools	27.00	
		\$ 2,034.00
Library: Fines		76.71
Fletcher Lecture Fund—		
door receipts		7.09
Hyams: Gift		300.00
Retirement		994.68
Refunds: Departmental		2,188.23
Withdrawals:		
Whitney Playground Interest.....\$	400.00	
Library—Interest	175.00	
Emily Fletcher Lecture Fund	200.00	
Cemetery—Interest	537.00	
Bonds—perpetual care	1,000.00	
		\$ 2,312.00
Cemeteries:		
Lot care	\$ 382.00	
Opening graves	438.00	
		\$ 820.00
Interest:		
Deferred taxes	\$ 361.14	
Perpetual care	765.00	
Metcalf Monument	52.29	
Sale Cemetery lots	2.54	
Tax Titles	26.52	
Investment	120.06	
		\$ 1,327.55
Trust Funds: Perpetual care.....		1,025.00
Total Receipts		\$319,085.03
Balance on Hand January 1, 1947..		119,048.73
		\$438,133.76

EXPENDITURES

General Government:

Selectmen:

Salaries and wages	\$ 845.00
Stationery and Advertising	103.14

	\$ 948.14
License Expense	99.59
Finance	10.00

Town Counsel	300.00
Tax Title Expense	390.67

Town Treasurer:

Salary	\$ 1,560.00
Stationery and Postage	183.87
Bond and Insurance	147.00
Repairs to Check writer	10.50
Membership dues	1.00

\$ 1,902.37

Town Accountant:

Salary	\$ 1,100.00
Stationery, Postage and Printing	34.48
Book Binding	18.00
Advertising	2.25
Repairs—Typewriter and Adding Machine	12.75

\$ 1,167.48

Tax Collector:

Salary	\$ 1,400.00
Printing and Stationery	250.13
Bond and Insurance	244.00
Legal expense	25.00
Tax Title Recording	7.75
Advertising	17.00
Membership dues	1.00

\$ 1,953.88

Assessors:

Wages	\$ 759.50
Clerks	493.39
Legal Service	25.00
Stationery, Printing and Postage	110.37
Bankers & Tradesman Magazine	14.00
Membership dues	6.00
Obtaining transfers of deeds...	89.00

\$ 1,497.26

Town Clerk:

Salary	\$ 400.00
Recording Fees	164.00
Stationery and Printing	33.03

Bond	7.50	
All other	62.87	
		\$ 667.40
Registration and Election:		
Registrars, Wages	\$ 611.50	
Election Officers, Wages	169.00	
Listing	161.00	
Printing and Stationery	152.97	
Rent	23.00	
Advertising	24.00	
Other	6.00	
		\$ 1,147.47
		\$ 10,084.26
Town Hall:		
Janitor	\$ 1,420.75	
Fuel	700.28	
Light	192.79	
Repairs	235.36	
Telephone	206.12	
Water	16.00	
Janitor's Supplies	38.81	
Miscellaneous	8.00	
New Furnace	650.00	
Repairing Furnace	250.00	
		\$ 3,718.11
		\$ 3,718.11
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Compensation Insurance	\$ 1,026.63	
Fire Insurance	2,407.60	
		\$ 3,434.23
Police Department:		
Salaries	\$ 5,399.83	
Special Officers	369.33	
Assistant's Auto Expense	625.00	
Auto Repairs	269.21	
Gasoline	511.64	
Light	11.00	
Telephone	158.53	
Radio Service	102.80	
Rent Garage	48.00	

Dues	10.00
Insurance	82.60
Office Supplies	54.30
Badges	32.76

\$ 7,675.00

Fire Department:

Salaries and Insurance\$ 2,610.30

\$ 2,610.30

Apparatus:

Gasoline	\$ 187.30
Insurance	749.64
Rep. alarm	61.28
Truck Repair	727.36
Equipment	1,056.83

\$ 2,782.41

Hose\$ 263.31

Other Expense:

Building Repairs	\$ 1,589.12
Telephone	133.99
Fuel and Light	487.52
Water	21.88
Dues	24.00
All other	38.13

\$ 2,294.64

\$ 7,950.66

New Fire House\$ 9.00

New Hose	\$ 625.00
New Oil Burner	345.00
New Pump	1,800.00
New Fire Truck	7,000.00
Ambulance Repairs	664.65
Inhalator	435.00
Paint Fire House Cottage	400.00
Permanent Man	500.00
Hydrants	3,349.70
Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00
Game Warden	75.00
Moth Department	924.35
Tree Warden	495.49

Forest Fires	1,798.45	
		\$ 37,606.53
Health. See Health Report		\$ 5,414.75
Highway Department:		
Street Lights	\$ 6,966.00	
Snow and Ice Removal:		
Salaries and Expenses	\$ 4,021.57	
Trucks Plowing	1,703.50	
Equipment and Repairs	514.64	
Gasoline	122.40	
Salt	232.00	
Calcium Chloride	356.40	
Sand	992.92	
		\$ 7,950.43
New Plows		\$ 295.00
Town Roads:		
Asphaltnix	\$ 35.54	
Sand	216.12	
Repairs	187.92	
Fuel	110.54	
Fence	140.00	
Lumber	92.97	
Miscellaneous	58.80	
		\$ 841.89
Chapter 81:		
Salaries and Expenses	\$ 11,801.02	
Town Equipment	2,510.13	
Gravel and Sand	778.20	
Stone	2,376.89	
Asphaltnix	2,661.31	
Equipment Repairs	153.95	
Tar	6,965.44	
Concrete	56.23	
Brick	154.00	
Culverts	778.42	
		\$ 28,235.59
Chapter 90: New Construction:		
1st Contract—Hired	\$ 7,587.70	
Second Contract: Town		
Salaries and Expenses	\$ 3,011.92	
Town Equipment	785.75	
Hired Equipment	1,204.50	

Gravel	897.96	
Tar	1,522.50	
Equipment repairs	233.46	
Culverts	207.18	
Guard Posts	112.00	
Miscellaneous	23.82	
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		\$ 7,999.09

Machinery Account:

Repairs and Upkeep	\$ 1,934.60	
Gasoline	1,110.49	
Oil	43.80	
Fleet Insurance	396.26	
Rent	461.00	
Supplies	2.75	
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		\$ 3,948.90

Side Walks	487.05	
Water Holes	463.95	
Snow Fighter	12,020.00	
Power Grader	9,322.86	
New Ford	2,290.30	
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		\$ 88,408.76

Welfare Department:

Temporary Aid:

Salaries	\$ 1,456.63	
Stationery and Postage	14.42	
Other Exp. admin.	144.35	
Cash Grants	1,245.00	
Board and Care	591.00	
Telephone	53.07	
Groceries	319.42	
Coal and wood	19.50	
Medical	95.00	
State	819.00	
Burial Expense	244.00	
Hospital	142.95	
Other expense	423.50	
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		\$ 5,567.84

Infirmary—See Report	\$ 10,832.02	
Aid Dependent Children	5,638.22	
Old Age Assistance	33,491.24	
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		\$ 55,529.32

Soldiers' Benefits:

Administration	\$ 580.00
Printing and Postage	20.52
Military Aid World War II	1,162.32
Medical	296.30
Fuel	30.23
Groceries	5.10

\$ 2,094.47

Veteran's Service	165.84
Schools—See Report	102,502.72
Vocational Tuition	755.40
Public Library: See Report	3,947.43
Emily Fletcher Lecture Fund	207.09
Town Common	335.98
Retirement	994.68
Whitney Playground	545.43
Whitney Shade Tree	46.46
Printing and Publishing	
Town By-Laws	165.75
Band Concerts	400.00
Publishing Town Reports	805.76
Memorial Day	264.65
Home Economics	10.00

Cemeteries:

Administration	\$ 200.00
Labor	3,007.58
Equipment	299.41
Other expense	122.18

	3,629.17
Outstanding bills	3,297.72
Refunds	383.36
Withholding Tax	12,137.27
Metcalf Monument	57.50
Cemetery perp. care	2,774.50
State Taxes	4,176.52
County Taxes	7,163.45
Dog Licenses	716.80

Total Expenditures	\$348,339.68
Balance on Hand December 31, 1947	89,794.08

\$438,133.76

TOWN OF WESTFORD — BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1947

ASSETS

Cash:

In banks and office

\$ 89,794.08

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes

Levy of 1946:

Poll \$ 4.00

Real Estate

1,832.24

Levy of 1947:

Poll

18.00

Personal

402.20

Real Estate

9,957.00

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Levy of 1947

458.17

Tax Titles

690.04

Tax Possessions

2,607.79

Departmental:

Health

188.57

Temporary Aid

961.85

Aid to Dependent Children

16.69

Old Age Assistance

153.11

War Allowance

613.50

Cemetery

188.00

Highway

2,121.72

15,207.18

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Overestimate:

State Tax 1947

\$

1,165.02

Due County—Dog Taxes

189.60

Sales of Lots

130.74

Trust Fund Income:

Whitney Shade Tree

63.31

Whitney Playground

80.30

Cemeteries

1.77

Library

15.25

Cemetery Perp. care

37.50

Tailings

136.55

Unexpended Federal Grants:

Aid to Dep. Children

486.33

Aid to Dep. Children adm.

43.22

Old Age Assistance Adm.

167.46

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus

697.01

Overlays Reserved for Abating

5,352.98

Levy of 1947

668.15

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle Ex. Tax

458.17

Tax Titles & Poss.

3,274.14

Departmental

2,121.72

Highway—State

15,207.18

Unexpended Appr. Balances:

21,061.21

Fire Insurance	302.07
Fire Dept.—New Pump	700.00
Fire Dept.—House	14,413.76
Power Grader	627.14
Highway equipment	51.10
Machinery Acct.	3,465.88
Celebrating Veterans	1,000.00
Surplus Revenue	20,559.95
Int. on Cash in Savings Banks	72,813.02
	120.06

\$123,092.42

\$123,092.42

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash & Securities:
Principal

\$ 61,104.19	Whitney Shade Tree Fund	\$ 2,500.00
	Library Trust Fund	12,706.08
	Fred Burbeck Library Fund	1,000.00
	Fletcher Lecture Fund	2,000.00
	Metcalf Monument Fund	1,300.00
	Wilkins Cemetery Fund	1,413.11
	Whitney Playground Fund	10,000.00
	Cemetery Perp. care Fund	30,185.00
		61,104.19

Income

9,918.92	Whitney Shade Tree Income	\$ 639.26
	Library Trust Fund Income	612.81
	Fletcher Lecture Fund Inc.	535.68
	Metcalf Monument Fund Inc.	575.37
	Wilkins Fund Inc.	232.88
	Whitney Playground Fund Inc.	400.55
	Cemetery Perp. care Fund Inc.	6,922.37
		9,918.92

REPORT OF STATE AUDITOR

TOWN OF WESTFORD—BALANCE SHEET—APRIL 30, 1947

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash:		Withholding Taxes	\$ 1,062.00
In Banks and Office		Due County:	
Accounts Receivable:	\$ 73,902.97	Dog Licenses	184.80
Taxes:		Cemetery Perp. Care Bequests	10.00
Levy of 1945		Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	128.20
Real Estate	598.17	Road Machinery Fund	239.50
Levy of 1946:		Trust Fund Income:	
Poll	10.00	Whitney Shade Tree Fund	9.77
Personal	245.97	Metcalf Monument Fund	25.00
Real Estate	6,057.31	Cem. Perp. Care Fund	55.00
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Ex.		Tailings	89.77
Levy of 1946	35.20	Unexpended Fed. Grants:	136.55
Levy of 1947	38.42	Aid to Dep. Children	202.65
Tax Titles	737.89	Old Age Assistance	1,548.18
Tax Possessions	2,234.15	Appropriation Balances	1,750.83
Departmental:		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	220,753.52
Health	210.00	Overlays Reserved for Abate-	5,178.60
Temporary Aid	961.85	ments:	
Aid to Dep. Children	1,383.99	Levy of 1945	277.45
Old Age Assistance	89.11	Levy of 1946	472.40
War Allowance	375.00	Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Cemetery	344.00	Motor Vehicle and Trailer	73.62
State Aid to Highway:	3,363.95	Tax Titles & Possessions	2,972.04

Chapter 81	18,225.00		Department	3,363.95
Chapter 90	4,000.00		State & County Aid Highway	26,225.00
County Aid to Highway	4,000.00	26,225.00	Surplus Revenue	50,782.35
Revenue 1947	241,013.28			
Less Est. Receipts	43,153.39	197,859.89		
Underestimated or Unprovided Accounts:				
State Parks & Reservation Tax	92.29			
County Tax 1946	91.21			
County Hospital	1,708.16	1,891.66		
Due from Trust Fund	500.00			
				\$313,700.58

TRUST FUNDS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:		
Principal	61,209.19	Whitney Shade Tree Fund \$ 2,500.00
Income	10,006.35	Library Trust Fund 13,706.08
		Fletcher Lecture Fund 2,000.00
		Whitney Playground Fund 10,000.00
		Metcalf Monument Fund 1,300.00
		Lyman E. Wilkins Cem. Fund 1,413.11
		Cemetery Perp. Care Fund 30,290.00
		Whitney Shade Tree Fund Inc. 691.97
		Library Trust Fund Inc. 576.63
		Fletcher Lecture Fund Inc. 708.28
		Whitney Playground Fund Inc. 577.01
		Metcalf Monument Fund Inc. 534.74
		Lyman Wilkins Cem. Fund Inc. 193.73
		Cem. Perp. Care Fund Inc. 6,723.99
		10,006.35
	\$ 71,215.54	\$ 71,215.54

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The Board of Fire Engineers respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1947:

The various Companies responded to 32 alarms other than Forest fires, namely: 2 wool sheds, 2 houses, 8 chimneys, 5 autos, 1 shed, 2 barns, 1 camp, 1 chicken coop, 1 workshop, 1 garage, 1 drowning, 1 inhalator, 4 out of town, 1 false alarm, 1 child in well, 34 forest or grass and 7 dump fire calls were answered, making a total of 73 calls answered.

The new ambulance was placed in service on March 9th and responded to 84 calls in the interval to Dec. 31st. Much credit is due to Mr. Robert Spinner, who has charge of the maintenance and care of the ambulance, and his able assistants. These men have unselfishly given their time to this vital work and their efforts are very much appreciated.

A new inhalator and resuscitator was purchased for use in the ambulance. This vital piece of equipment is available at all times for circumstances requiring its use.

The cottage at the Westford Center station was painted on the outside this year.

The Westford Fire station was painted in the interior upstairs this year. The downstairs should be painted in the coming year and also the outside of the building.

The Graniteville station required considerable repair much of which was necessary to accommodate the housing of two trucks. The roof leaked badly causing some damage to the ceiling upstairs. This was repaired by shingling one-half of the roof. The chimney was in danger of collapse and required rebuilding. Finally, several columns had to be installed in the basement and rotted sills replaced in order to support the heavy load of two trucks. This building is much too small to house the equipment and it is hoped that the new fire station will be built as soon as possible.

The new 500 GPM pumping engine for the Graniteville Station was delivered in November and should prove to be a valuable asset to the Town.

The new pump for the truck in the Forge Village station has been delivered and at this writing is in the process of being installed. Upon the completion of this work the Town will have met all the requirements of the National Board of Underwriters which were outlined in our report of 1946. This program which was rather extensive was spread over a period of 7 years.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND D. ROGERS,
HAROLD E. WRIGHT,
RICHARD W. HALL,

Board of Fire Engineers.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Balance on hand January 1, 1947	\$119,048.73
Total Receipts to December 31, 1947	319,085.03
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	\$438,133.76

Balance on hand December 31, 1947	\$ 89,794.08
Total payments to December 31, 1947	348,339.68
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	\$438,133.76

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLOTTE P. GREIG, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

Following is the report of the Forest Warden for the year ending December 31, 1947:

There were no serious forest fires this year in Westford.

A new American La-France 100 gallons per minute pump was installed on the Forestry Truck at a cost of \$85.00. The old pump on this truck, installed in 1940, was second hand.

From the Hope Rubber Co., Fitchburg, Mass., was bought 750 feet of new hose at a cost of \$300.00.

I am asking \$1,500.00 for the usual expenses of this Department for 1948, and \$500 to buy a thousand or more feet of new hose. At the present time we have 4,000 feet of hose eight years old. This hose is too old to be dependable. We also have 1,000 feet two years old and 750 feet one year old.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO R. LARKIN, Forest Warden.

REPORT OF THE FISH AND GAME WARDEN

As Game Warden for the Town of Westford, I submit the following report for 1947:

April, 1947:

Snake Meadow Brook—500 Brookies

Keyes Brook—300 Brookies

Nashoba Brook—600 Brookies

Nashoba Brook—200 Rainbows

LONG SOUGHT FOR POND:

Feb. 20, 1947—500 Browns

March 15, 1947—600 Rainbows

April 2, 1947—200 Browns

April 2, 1947—300 Brookies

WESTFORD COVERS:

Aug. 9, 1947—51 Pheasants

June 11, 1947—10 Hens; 2 Cocks (for breeding stock)

FORGE POND:

July 26, 1947:

750 Small Mouth B. Bass—2½-4 inches

50 Small Mouth B. Bass—5-7 inches

4,000 Yellow Perch—3 inches

30 Yellow Perch—7-9 inches

Nov. 6, 1947:

500 Horned Pout—6 inches

400 Crappie—4-5 inches

I take this opportunity to thank each and everyone for the sincere cooperation you have accorded me.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND L. PROVOST, Game Warden.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

As Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Westford, I submit the following report for the year 1947:

Number of Platform Scales over 5,000 lbs.	3
Number of Platform Scales under 5,000 lbs.	30
Number of Platform Counter Scales	26
Number of Platform Beam Scales	0
Number of Spring Scales over 100 lbs.	25
Number of Spring Scales under 100 lbs.	11
Number of Computing Scales under 100 lbs.	6
Number of Avoirdupois Weights Sealed	102
Number of Liquid Measures	4
Number of Gasoline Pumps	1
Number of Gasoline Meters on Pumps	22
Number of Kerosene Pumps	5
Number of Tank Truck Meter Systems	2
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Total	237

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT A. HILDRETH,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

Values of Buildings, January 1, 1947	\$2,646,210.00
Value of Land, January 1, 1947	792,850.00
Value of Personal Property, January 1, 1947	404,350.00
 Total Valuation	 \$3,843,410.00

APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1947

Annual Town Meeting, February 17, 1947	\$ 283,750.64
State Taxes	4,335.20
County Taxes	10,061.45
1947 Overlay Fund	2,140.95

Total amount to be raised	\$ 300,288.24
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	144,303.84
Total Amount to be Raised on Polls and Property	155,984.40
Total Excise Commitments	8,197.71
Tax Rate \$40.00 per Thousand.	

Number of Polls	1,120
Number of Horses	49
Number of Cows	284
Number of Neat Cattle	56
Number of Swine	258
Number of Sheep and Goats	67
Number of Fowl	29,199
Number of Acres of Land	18,000
Number of Dwelling Houses	1,178

ABATEMENTS

	Poll	Property	Excise
1945	\$734.00	\$1,118.70	\$ 40.25
1946	768.00	689.34	106.87
1947	702.00	708.80	213.92

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR B. DALY,
JOHN J. O'CONNELL,
SAMUEL A. FLETCHER,

Assessors of Westford.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my report as Tax Collector for the Town of Westford for the year ending Dec. 31, 1947.

Any questions in regard to the assessments of taxes should be presented to the Board of Assessors.

Amount Outstanding Dec. 31, 1947

Warrant Dated:

July 26, 1945 Real Estate	1,708.59	none	
Dec. 20, 1945 Real Estate	3.60	none	
May 24, 1946 Poll	32.00		2.00
Nov. 26, 1946 Poll	6.00	none	
July 23, 1946 Personal Property	429.53	none	
Nov. 26, 1946 Personal Property	44.39	none	
July 23, 1946 Real Estate	10,622.35		1,826.40
Nov. 26, 1946 Real Estate	115.80		7.02
April 23, 1946 Excise	8.86	none	
August 7, 1946 Excise	77.41	none	
Oct. 10, 1946 Excise	53.60	none	
Nov. 26, 1946 Excise	65.05	none	
June 26, 1947 Real Estate	137,570.40		9,809.80
Dec. 16, 1947 Real Estate	291.20		147.20
June 26, 1947 Personal Property	16,174.00		230.20
Nov. 6, 1947 Personal Property ..	52.00	none	
Dec. 16, 1947 Personal Property...	210.00		172.00
May 12, 1947 Poll	2,240.00		8.00
Dec. 16, 1947 Poll	18.00		10.00
Feb. 20, 1947 Excise	265.55	none	
May 12, 1947 Excise	3,667.72	none	
July 11, 1947 Excise	500.74		4.53
July 25, 1947 Excise	834.43	none	
Sept. 19, 1947 Excise	896.02		40.45
Sept. 29, 1947 Excise	561.64		46.99
Oct. 10, 1947 Excise	759.34		4.00
Oct. 31, 1947 Excise	195.28		14.65
Dec. 10, 1947 Excise	354.11		187.75
Dec. 29, 1947 Excise	162.88		160.88

Total Warrants\$177,920.49

Total Outstanding Dec. 31, 1947

\$ 12,671.87

DAVID I. OLSSON,

Tax Collector.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD BOARD OF HEALTH

The Westford Board of Health submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1947:

The Board of Health organized in March with Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Chairman, Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Secretary, and Ralph E. Cole, M. D. as the third member.

Due to the delay in the fixing of the dental office to do the school work we have had no place to hold the school clinic this past year.

The usual vaccination and diphtheria clinics were conducted as in past years. We hope that more of the children who have been immunized against diphtheria in past years will come to our future clinics to have a booster dose. We have had no cases of diphtheria since these clinics were started twenty years ago.

The milk situation has been carefully supervised by its agents.

A full set of Board of Health rules was completed and advertised and copies of same printed in booklets.

The Board of Health has functioned well during the year receiving the fullest cooperation of its members and agents. The work and cooperation of the Public Health Nurse was highly commendable as shown by her report to follow.

The report of the Animal Inspector shows a great amount of capable work.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRIL A. BLANEY, M. D., Chairman
DWIGHT W. COWLES, M. D., Secretary
RALPH E. COLE, M. D.

RECEIPTS HEALTH DEPARTMENT—1947

Milk Dealers' Permits	\$14.00
Oleomargarine Permits	3.50
Permits to Manufacture Ice Cream	15.00
Camp Licenses	2.00

\$34.50

EXPENDITURES HEALTH DEPARTMENT—1947

Administration:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 84.50
All Other	9.48

Publishing and Printing New Rules and

Regulations	265.25
Tuberculosis, Board and Treatment	417.00
Nurse, Salary	1,800.00

Auto:

Upkeep	322.51
Insurance	37.71
Dump, Labor	216.25
Milk, Inspections and Samples	57.00
Other Inspections	61.00
Clinics	233.54
All other	52.35

	\$ 3,556.59
Balance	\$ 443.41

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Cattle Inspector	\$ 150.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	1,708.16

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Cyril A. Blaney, M. D.
Chairman, Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts
Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the Public Health Nurse from January 1, to December 31, 1947:

Absentees from school visited in their homes	157
Children taken home from school because of illness	22
Children taken to school physician	45
Contagious disease cases visited	41
Nursing visits	158
Home visits	117
To Dr. Blaney's office for treatment	2
To Crippled Children's Clinic at St. John's Hospital	12
To St. John's Eye Clinic	22
To Physicians' Optical Co.	12
To Hospitals for Tonsil and Adenoid Operations	11
To Lowell General Pediatric Clinic	10
To Lowell General Skin Clinic	3
To St. John's E. N. & T. Clinic	2
To St. Joseph's E. E. N. & T. Clinic	1
To St. John's Hospital for treatment	1
To St. Joseph's Hospital to be admitted	1
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for X-ray	38
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for Treatment	52
To Middlesex County Sanatorium to be Admitted	1
Board of Health Meetings Attended	12
Milk specimens collected and taken to laboratory	
Diphtheria Immunization Clinics conducted by Board of Health:	
Number of inoculations	22
Booster doses	22
Vaccination Clinic conducted by Board of Health:	
Number of children vaccinated	24
Contagious Disease reported to the Westford Board of Health:	
Chicken Pox	28
Dog Bite	18
Lobar Pneumonia	1
Measles	1
Mumps	4
Scarlet Fever	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1
Whooping Cough	22

Respectfully submitted,
DOROTHY HEALY, R. N.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

TEMPORARY AID

Appropriated	\$ 15,000.00
Transferred	1,379.86
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Total	\$ 16,379.86
Expended:	
Infirmary	\$ 10,812.02
Temporary Aid	5,567.84
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Total	\$ 16,379.86

The present case load on Temporary aid is 4 cases which include 6 persons. There have been two Westford-settled cases at the Tewksbury Infirmary throughout the year, costing \$819.00. There are three children being cared for by the Division of Child Guardianship amounting to \$591.00 and outside relief was \$210.00.

There are nine inmates at our Town Infirmary now, four of these are boarded by the Town of Chelmsford and one pays his own board. The rate of board charged is \$10.00 per week. The following is the case load by months for Temporary Aid:

January	4	April	3	July	4	October	3
February	3	May	5	August	4	November ..	4
March	3	June	5	September ..	4	December ..	4

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriated	\$ 3,500.00
Federal Grants Received	2,107.66
1946 Balance	587.39
Refunds	58.88
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Total	\$ 6,253.93
Expended	5,494.50
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Balance	\$ 759.43
Federal Administration Received	186.94
Federal Administration Spent	143.72
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Balance	\$ 43.22
Amount Received from State	\$ 1,870.12

Aid to Dependent Children is aid given to widows with minor children or incapacitated parents of minor children. Reimbursement from

the Federal Government is \$24.00 monthly for first child and \$15.00 monthly for each additional child plus \$1.50 added for each child. The State pays one-third of the total amount spent each month.

The monthly case load is as follows:

	fam- ilies	chil- dren		fam- ilies	chil- dren		fam- ilies	chil- dren
Jan.	7	24	May	6	23	Sept.	4	13
Feb.	6	23	June	6	23	Oct.	4	13
Mar.	6	23	July	4	14	Nov.	4	13
April	5	17	Aug.	4	14	Dec.	4	13

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriated	\$ 17,000.00
Transferred	28.43
Refunds	233.67
Federal Grants Received	15,786.34
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	\$ 33,048.44
Expended	\$ 33,048.24
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Balance	\$.20
Administration Received—Federal	\$ 610.46
Administration Spent	443.00
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	\$ 167.46
Received from State	\$ 11,218.51
Received from other Towns	119.65

Two increases in grants have been made in 1947. Federal reimbursement on each case is one-half up to \$45.00 month plus an additional \$2.50 for every person. The State still pays two-thirds of the remainder. The following is the monthly case load:

January	61	April	58	July	60	October	58
February	60	May	60	August	60	November	58
March	59	June	60	September	60	December	55

Respectfully submitted,

EILEEN McGLINCHEY, Agent.

INFIRMARY DEBITS

Superintendent's Salary	\$ 1,634.00
Employees' Wages	912.00

Provisions	1,338.07	
Clothing	130.30	
Telephone	66.72	
Food Locker	129.00	
Tobacco	48.27	
Coal	149.43	
Oil	77.14	
Gas and Electricity	206.71	
Medical	14.00	
Grain and Feed	4,413.89	
Veterinary	51.10	
Blacksmith	34.00	
Pasturing	30.00	
Beef	232.50	
Chickens	47.25	
Slaughtering, Dressing, etc.	59.85	
Seed and Fertilizer	138.94	
Sawing and Milling Lumber	33.82	
Egg Boxes	27.63	
Brewing grain	81.60	
Repairs	104.90	
Supplies	381.38	
Gasoline	271.11	
Truck Insurance	44.47	
Water Bills	110.80	
Appraisers	15.00	
Miscellaneous	28.15	
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Total		\$ 10,812.03

INFIRMARY CREDITS

Milk	\$ 6,288.68
Eggs	886.85
Asparagus	51.45
Potatoes	105.00
Fowl	100.35
Calves	71.00
Corn	39.61
Beans	3.75
Teaming	402.25
Sawing Wood	60.00
Silage	100.00
Hay	75.00
Bags	101.91

Telephone	1.30	
Bull Service	10.00	
A.O.A. Program	13.00	
Patronage Refund	72.04	
Soil Conservation69	
Inmates Board	491.07	
Board—Other Towns	1,799.36	
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		\$ 10,673.31
Wood	10.00	
Board and Care 4 Inmates	2,048.00	
32 Meals to Men in Lockup	16.00	
Clothing, Tobacco, Medical	192.57	
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Total		\$ 12,767.51

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL L. RICHARDS, Chairman
WILLIAM L. WALL
REGINALD BLOWEY

Board of Public Welfare.

WESTFORD INFIRMARY APPRAISAL

DEC. 20, 1947

1	12 Cords Manure	\$ 120.00
2	One Manure Spreader	100.00
3	2—One-Horse Hay Rake	50.00
4	One Sulky Plow	45.00
5	One Two-Horse Disc Harrow	35.00
6	One Potato Digger	65.00
7	Four Wagons and Two Sleds	75.00
8	One Tip Cart	75.00
9	Lumber	300.00
10	One Drag (steel head)	8.00
11	One Lime Spreader	20.00
12	One Power Sprayer	60.00
13	One Two-Horse Corn Planter	50.00
14	One Two-Horse Cultivator	27.00
15	One Hay Tedder	25.00
16	One Tractor Harrow	55.00
17	One Spring Tooth Harrow	10.00
18	One Smoothing Harrow	3.00
19	One Seedsower and Weeder	35.00
20	Two One-Horse Cultivators	6.00
21	Two Walking Plows	15.00
22	One Two-Horse Hoe	10.00
23	One Ford Tractor	600.00
24	One Tractor Plow	100.00
25	One Tractor Pulley	30.00
26	One Tractor Cultivator	135.00
27	One Root Cutter	5.00
28	Blacksmith Tools	20.00
29	One Feed Cooker	5.00
30	One Galvanized Tank	5.00
31	One Saw Frame and Two Saws	25.00
32	Grindstone and Mowing Machine Grinder	15.00
33	One Gas Tank and Gasoline	12.00
34	One Two-Horse Mowing Machine	100.00

35	Three Swine	200.00
36	Wood	250.00
37	175 Laying Hens	350.00
38	Milk Room and Milking Equipment	650.00
39	Thirteen Cows	2,940.00
40	One Bull	190.00
41	One Heifer	125.00
42	Forty Tons Ensilage	400.00
43	One Bull Calf	60.00
44	Grain	125.00
45	Fifty Grain Bags	10.00
46	One Corn Harvester	100.00
47	One Ensilage Cutter	125.00
48	One One-Horse Corn Planter	15.00
49	Two Wheel Barrows	10.00
50	One Motor Truck	300.00
51	Harness and Blankets	70.00
52	Two Horses	200.00
53	One-Horse Hay Fork	25.00
54	Twenty-five Tons Hay	700.00
55	Chains, Whiffletrees and Eveners	35.00
56	Farm Tools	100.00
57	Block and Tackle	7.50
58	Snow Plow	5.00
59	One Extension and Three Step Ladders	15.00
60	One Planet Junior Seeder	10.00
61	Three Chicken Crates	5.00
62	One Gas Stove	3.00
63	Two Cross Cut Saws	7.50
64	Garden Hose and Lawn Mower	12.00
65	Carpenters' Tools	35.00
66	Fire Hose and Nozzle	56.00
67	Work Shop Material	10.00
68	One Electric Drill	30.00
69	Brooder Equipment	30.00
70	Soft Coal	160.00
71	Milk Separator	65.00
72	Platform Scales	15.00

73	50 Gallons Fuel Oil	8.00
74	10 Gallons Motor Oil	10.00
75	Forty Bags Fertilizer	40.00

HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT

Superintendent's Furniture	350.00
Kitchen and Pantry	675.00
Inmates' Furniture	375.00
Contents of Attic	60.00
Canned Goods and Empty Jars	210.00
Provisions	352.00
Potatoes	80.00
Blankets and Sheets, Towels	130.00
Dry Goods	35.00
STOCK AND FARM EQUIPMENT	9,645.00
HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT	2,267.00

WALLACE N. YOUNG

ANTHONY DENISEVICH

FRED R. BLODGETT

REPORT OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

The year 1948 still called for an all-out food production by farmers, as well as food conservation by home-makers. For this reason, efforts of the Extension Service during the year were largely on these factors, the production and conservation.

Dairymen in Westford have taken considerable interest in the Selective Breeding Association which has for its objective the improvement of dairy cattle. They were also interested in the production of quality roughage and herd health.

Poultrymen were primarily interested in disease control. One infection of pullorum was discovered in a laying flock and another infection in a batch of chicks. Prompt cooperation in both cases resulted in complete control of both outbreaks otherwise the losses might have been serious. Poultrymen also were assisted in feeding and management.

The orchardists were assisted in a general spray program and a pruning demonstration was given, and farm visits made to help with individual problems upon request.

Mrs. W. Otis Day served as town homemaking chairman, and meetings of interest to homemakers were conducted in home furnishings, furniture refinishing and the making of homemade Christmas gifts. Mrs. Harlan Knowlton was awarded a certificate for doing outstanding work in Food Preservation and canning by the State Department of Agriculture at the Union Agricultural Show in Worcester this year.

Eight boys' and girls' 4-H clubs were organized during the year under the leadership of Mrs. Van Norden, Miss Eleanor Cleary, Mrs. Dorothy Mann, Mrs. Edna Moore, Mrs. Clifford Johnson, Mr. Peter Perry and Mr. Merton Bezoian. Mr. Bezoian leads the agricultural clubs in the Frost School and Academy. Mr. Perry, one of Westford's outstanding leaders, was recognized by the University of Massachusetts because of the splendid leadership he has furnished for a period of over 20 years. He was awarded a certificate and a diamond 4-H Leadership Pin for outstanding leadership. Mr. Perry also served as a councillor at Camp Middlesex, training boys in handicraft. He also acted as Associate Camp Director. Stephen MacDougal was Camp Director.

Mrs. Edna Moore, another outstanding 4-H leader, was awarded a leader's gold pin in recognition of leadership work over a ten-year period.

Edwin Nixon represented Middlesex County in the State Poultry Judging Contest at the Boston Poultry Show and also at the Eastern States Exposition. He attended Camp Vail during the Exposition. Edwin won the county prize in the State Egg Show in Worcester and was awarded a medal in the National Achievement Contest. He also won first, second and sweepstakes at the 100th Boston Poultry Show on two dozen eggs. Dwight Hanson and George Fletcher were awarded the Liberty Hyde Bailey Medal for outstanding garden work. Russell Decatur won a medal in the Better Methods Contest. Lawrence Alcorn, David Wilson, Bruce Davis, Allan Young and Betty Morgan attended Camp Middlesex.

MRS. WARREN NIXON, Director.

REPORT OF WHITNEY PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

This committee's report for the 1947 year is a continuing record of attention to the duties and responsibilities placed upon it. The care, preservation and beautifying of the playground has been the concern of Mr. John G. S. Peterson, whose duty as caretaker has been faithfully performed. Some extraordinary expenses were incurred during the year in work on the tennis court, baseball diamond and a complete overhaul of the power motored lawn mower.

As supervisors of the Whitney Shade Tree fund the committee has given the Tree Warden quite a bit of work on the trees on Depot Street which has resulted in a considerable improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN FISHER
CHARLES L. HILDRETH
MORRIS A. HALL

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Feb. 4, 1948

Dr. C. A. Blaney
Chairman, Westford Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the Inspector of Animals from January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947:

Quarantining 21 dogs for dog bites	42 visits
Inspecting barns and animals. No. of barns	61
No. of cows 2 years old and older	346
Heifers 1-2 years	66
Heifers under 1 year	56
Bulls	16
Horses	45
Pigs	584
Sheep	47
Steers	4
Goats	11

This is a copy of the report made to the State.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. BLODGETT,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD WATER COMPANY

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1947	\$193,808.89
Additions during the year 1947	16,305.46
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	\$210,114.35
Less Credits during the year 1947	1,045.80
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	\$209,068.55

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

From January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

(Cash Basis)

RECEIPTS

Hydrants	\$ 3,349.80
Public Buildings, Playgrounds, etc.	497.28
Subscribers	18,447.19
Service	1,018.40
Sundry Receipts	231.91
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	\$ 23,544.58

EXPENSES

Wages and Salary	\$ 5,924.86
Expense Account and Supplies	6,251.57
Electric Power and Light	2,323.37
Taxes	3,107.17
Service	2,897.46
Depreciation	3,490.15
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	\$ 23,994.58
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Net operating loss	\$ 450.00
Receipts of Interest from Government Bonds	
Matured, etc.	\$ 2,131.66
Less Interest paid on Bank Loans	146.52
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	\$ 1,985.14
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Net Gain for the year	\$ 1,535.14

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

Westford, Massachusetts

February 3, 1948

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss.

Then personally appeared William R. Taylor and made oath that the above is a true statement of the cost of construction of the Westford Water Company to December 31, 1947 and of the Receipts and Expenditures from January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947, before me.

PERRY T. SNOW, Notary Public

My commission expires Oct. 24, 1952

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE NEED OF A NEW SCHOOL IN WESTFORD

The report of the Joint Committee at the Town Meeting in 1947 showed a serious need for new classroom space. The condition is most critical in the Academy and in the Frost School. Not only are the pupils over-crowded in these buildings to an extent which would be dangerous in case of a fire, but our school program is seriously handicapped through lack of space for activities in manual arts, domestic science, agriculture, sciences, and physical education. These are the very fields which should be covered in a small school program of general education. Courses in these subjects would militate toward holding our young people in school.

The history of school building in Westford seems to be a chronicle of "too little and too late". Much money has been expended upon additions and alterations which soon proved inadequate. This is the case with the additions to Cameron School, the gymnasium at the Academy, and the alterations at Frost School. School planning now should look not to next year, but to the next fifteen years. In the past, a more forward looking program at the time of the alterations would have involved more expense at the time but would have meant tremendous savings over a period of years.

Over the past 21 years, the average enrolment in Frost School has been 136 pupils. In order to keep this year's enrolment down to approximately this figure, a group of children on one bus route had to be transferred to the Cameron School. This means a considerably longer ride for these pupils. We shall probably have to resort to this expedient again next September with even more pupils, to the objection, no doubt, of many parents. The actual fact is that more pupils could be accommodated in Frost School if only six grades were maintained than with eight grades. The six rooms could accommodate 25 pupils each if only one grade were assigned to a room. When eight grades are distributed among the six rooms, the split-up of grades often works against using the building to its maximum capacity.

Some one may contend that a building may contain a certain number of pupils regardless of the grades in which the pupils find themselves. This is true only if the purpose of the building is to contain the pupils. School buildings are designed, however, not to "garage" or merely hold pupils, they are designed to educate children, and there is more involved in the matter than merely squeez-

ing them within the walls. Chancellor Hutchins of Chicago once remarked that there has been considerable discussion about seating pupils in school, whereas the real objective is to see that something constructive goes on in their heads while they are seated.

The Academy is housing at least double the number for which it was designed. The three makeshift rooms on the third floor are definitely unsatisfactory both from the viewpoint of teaching and of safety. No school administrator could be at ease feeling himself responsible for the safety of the pupils in these rooms in case of fire. And the open stairways to the third floor would make admirable airshafts up which a blaze could sweep rapidly to the roof!

On November 27, 1936 the State Supervisor of Secondary Education paid this tribute to our Academy in a letter to the then superintendent: "You are terribly crowded, of course, and the building is an old one. To have to use the gymnasium for study seems especially bad to me. You have no lunchroom, no household arts, no manual arts, and no physical education, all of which means that you are not operating a truly up-to-date high school. A new building would be the solution. I almost wonder that the building inspector did not condemn Rooms 8, 9, and 10—" One can judge for himself whether the intervening eleven years have improved the condition of the building.

Enrolment in the Academy in the next three or four years will be greater than can be handled in the present building. Either an addition to the present structure or a new high school building is necessary. It would seem the part of wisdom from a long-range point of view to construct a new unit which would at once provide a high school adequate for the needs of the town and also alleviate the conditions in Frost School. A new unit would provide not only seating capacity but the enrichment of the school program which is so badly needed. We are deceiving ourselves if we feel that Westford is offering a school program comparable to most towns. We may talk glibly about a "general" high school, but the actual fact is that the courses which are usually included in a general program are non-existent here. A problem in any community is that of holding the young people in school. Many want to leave before the compulsory age of sixteen. If, as many indications show, the age of compulsory attendance is raised to eighteen, this problem will become more acute. A program which will include manual arts for the boys and household arts for the girls would keep in school many pupils who now leave because of lack of interest in or ability to handle the more conventional subjects. An adequate building would also allow for a much needed physical education program considered a "must" by state authorities.

A new building will be expensive, but the chief resources of a nation or a town are its young people, and it is for the development of these resources that the expense is needed.

In justice to the young people of Westford the Joint Committee can do nothing else but recommend the erection—as soon as possible—of a six-year high school. This is the program which the state Department of Education urges upon towns of our size, and it is the program which will give our children an education which will at least approach that of other towns.

We are not, however, unmindful of the expense. If we had ample funds for an ideal school, we should insist upon a six-year school with two units of classrooms and a gymnasium-auditorium as a third unit. In order not to put the Town in an impossible financial situation, the Committee would, as an emergency measure, modify their recommendation and accept a single unit of classrooms, with the understanding that the other units might be added in more auspicious times. At least this one unit, however, is indispensable by 1952 or there will be no place in school for our Academy pupils or for those of Frost School. We do not wish to drain the financial resources of Westford, but the children who are our human resources are also of real concern to us. We cannot measure children in terms of dollars. In fairness to them we must recommend action, and some immediate action.

Serving on JOINT COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE NEED OF
NEW SCHOOLS IN WESTFORD.

Appointed by Moderator Ben Drew.

EMERSON HADLEY, Chairman
E. KENT ALLEN
JAMES MULLIGAN
NICHOLAS SUDAK
EDWARD HARRINGTON

School Committee
FREDERICK GATENBY
F. STANLEY SMITH
JAMES KNOWLTON
H. ARNOLD WILDER
EDGAR PETERSON
WILLIAM KELLY

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The Westford Cemetery Commissioners submit the following report for the year 1947.

We have endeavored to care for the cemeteries as usual.

We find it necessary under the prevailing price of labor to raise the price for lot care, which we hope will be met promptly.

We are planning this spring on setting shade trees in the new part at Fairview Cemetery.

SEBASTIAN WATSON, Chairman

FRED R. BLODGETT

AXEL G. LUNDBERG

Cemetery Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

As usual, my work has been removing dead limbs and trees on the roadside.

I would suggest that some maple trees be set out on Depot Street. The money to be taken from the income of the Whitney fund.

I would suggest the sum of \$800 be appropriated to carry on the work.

HARRY L. NESMITH,

Tree Warden.

January 23, 1948

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EMILY F. FLETCHER LECTURE FUND

Once again this bequest has enabled its trustees to provide an afternoon and evening of rare enjoyment for the townspeople. As they listened to Victor Coty of Stowe, Vt. give running comment on his exquisitely beautiful pictures which he had entitled "America out of Doors" they could not but have felt that he deserved the reputation he has acquired of outstanding naturalist and color photographer of our wonderful land. His pictures of birds, wildflowers and outdoor life pleased everybody and the sportsmen present in the audience must have enjoyed especially the fishing pictures showing the capturing of giant tuna and fighting blue marlin. Nearly four hundred children filled Abbot Hall in the afternoon, their presence being made possible through the efforts of Mr. Conrad and the cooperation of Dr. Herman and the school teachers, with five bus drivers furnishing transportation.

The evening audience is increasing each time a lecture is given, and if similar transportation service can be furnished for adults, it is felt that many more would be enabled to attend these outstanding entertainments.

Fee of Victor Coty—\$200.

Receipts from the lectures—\$57.05.

Minor expenses—\$49.21.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR

ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary

MAY E. DAY

JOHN T. CONRAD

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

The Finance Committee has held the customary meetings and given all the articles in the warrant careful consideration and recommend the appropriation of the various sums as tabulated blow:

General Government—5.73%					
Article	Appropriation	Voted and Transfrd. 1947	Amount Expended	Amt. Asked for 1948	Recom- mended for 1948
3- 1	Selectmen	\$ 948.14	\$ 948.14	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	License Expense	99.59	99.59	100.00	100.00
	Accountant	1,175.00	1,167.48	1,175.00	1,175.00
	Treasurer	1,910.00	1,902.37	2,050.00	2,050.00
	Assessors	1,500.00	1,497.26	1,750.00	1,750.00
	Tax Collector	1,975.00	1,953.88	2,100.00	2,100.00
	Tax Title Expenses	750.00	390.67	250.00	250.00
	Town Counsel	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Town Clerk	700.00	667.40	800.00	800.00
	Election and Registration	1,300.00	1,147.47	2,231.00	2,231.00
3- 2	Town Hall	4,300.00	3,718.11	3,800.00	3,800.00
Protection of Persons and Property—12.41%					
	POLICE				
3- 3	General Expenses	7,675.00	7,675.00	8,880.00	8,880.00
	FIRE				
	Permanent Man	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
3- 4	General Expense	8,749.65	8,735.31	8,000.00	8,000.00

Article	Appropriation	Voted and Transfrd. 1947	Amount Expended	Amt. Asked for 1948	Recom- mended for 1948
3- 8	Forest Fires	1,800.00	1,798.45	1,500.00	1,500.00
3-23	Fire Insurance	2,650.00	2,407.60	1,682.53	1,682.53
3- 5	Hydrants	3,455.00	3,349.70	4,365.00	4,365.00
19	Painting Westford Firehouse	400.00	400.00	650.00	650.00
20	Purchase of Fire Hose	625.00	625.00	650.00	650.00
21	Purchase of Forest Fire Hose	—	—	500.00	500.00
23	Graniteville Fire House	—	—	5,000.00	5,000.00
3- 6	Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
3-11	Moth Department	917.90	917.90	1,100.00	1,100.00
3-10	Tree Warden	503.00	501.94	600.00	600.00
3- 7	Fish and Game Warden	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00

Health and Sanitation—1.53 %

3-12	Board of Health	4,000.00	3,556.59	4,000.00	4,000.00
3-13	Cattle Inspector	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00

Highway Department—16.35 %

3-14	Snow and Ice Removal	7,950.68	7,950.43	12,000.00	12,000.00
3-26	Street Lights	7,139.00	6,966.00	7,139.00	7,139.00
26-30	Additional Lights	—	—	108.00	108.00
3-14	Town Roads	2,000.00	841.89	2,000.00	2,000.00
5	Chapter 81 Roads	10,125.00	10,125.00	10,125.00	10,125.00
6	Chapter 90 Roads	1,000.00	—	500.00	500.00
9	Equipment	276.56	276.56	483.02	483.02
12-13	Chapter 90 Construction	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00

Article	Appropriation	Voted and Transfrd. 1947	Amount Expended	Amt. Asked for 1948	Recom- mended for 1948
14	New Trucks	2,400.00	2,290.30	7,350.00	7,350.00
18	Repair Steamroller			1,000.00	1,000.00
16	Snow Plows			685.00	685.00
Charities—13.31 %					
3-15	Old Age Assistance	16,379.86	16,379.86	17,600.00	17,600.00
	Aid to Dependent Children	3,500.00	3,285.78	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Temporary Aid and Infirmary	17,366.37	17,366.17	16,525.00	16,525.00
Soldiers' Benefits—1.14 %					
3-16	Soldiers' Benefits	3,000.00	2,094.47	3,000.00	3,000.00
37	Direction of Vet. Relief	100.00	165.84	100.00	100.00
Schools—43.52 %					
3-17	School Department	102,502.83	102,502.72	117,121.00	117,121.00
3-18	Vocational Tuition	800.00	755.40	1,000.00	1,000.00
33	Plans for New School			12,000.00	
Library—1.22 %					
3-19	Library	3,962.68	3,947.43	3,300.00	3,300.00
Recreation—0.37 %					
3-20	Care of Common	335.98	335.98	300.00	300.00
7	Whitney Playground	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
8	Band Concerts	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00

Unclassified—3.05 %

Article	Appropriation	Voted and Transfrd. 1947	Amount Expended	Amt. Asked for 1948	Recom- mended for 1948
3-22	Town Reports	815.00	805.76	833.00	833.00
3-21	Memorial Day	300.00	264.65	300.00	300.00
3-23	Compensation Insurance	1,026.63	1,026.63	1,250.00	1,250.00
10	County Extension	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
3-27	Finance Reserve	3,000.00	2,983.47	3,000.00	3,000.00
3-27	Finance Board Expense	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
3-28	Outstanding Bills	3,297.72	3,297.72	1,500.00	1,500.00
22	Repairing of Sidewalks	500.00	487.05	500.00	500.00
24	Retirement Fund	—	—	1,384.00	1,384.00
25	Assessors—Survey and Maps	—	—	1,000.00	1,000.00

Cemeteries—1.36 %

3-25	Salaries and Wages	2,940.00	2,940.00	3,940.00	3,690.00
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Maturing Debt and Interest—0.01 %

3-24	Int. Revenue Loans	25.00	—	25.00	25.00
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State and County Taxes

		\$233,771.54	\$283,381.55	\$272,871.55	12,000.00
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Estimated Receipts

		\$284,871.55	\$284,871.55
		90,000.00	90,000.00
		\$194,871.55	\$194,871.55

Art. 4. It is recommended that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue.

Art. 11. It is recommended that the gift from Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc. be accepted, and that a vote of appreciation be extended to the donors.

Art. 15. In the event that the Town votes to purchase new trucks under Article 14 it is recommended that the Selectmen be authorized to sell two trucks and Fordson grader under this Article.

Art. 17. In the event that the Town votes to purchase two snow plows as proposed under Article 16 it is recommended that the Selectmen be authorized to sell two snow plows now used by the Highway Department.

Art. 13. It is recommended that the Selectmen be authorized to install a siren on the Nabnasset school.

Art. 32. In view of the fact that the Finance Committee believes that a new school building, or addition to the present Academy, will be necessary within the next few years it is recommended that a Building Committee be appointed to make a coordinated plan for the proper development of the high school facilities of the Town and that a report be made at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Art. 33. This article as written to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars to be expended on architect plans is not recommended at this time. However, some funds should be provided for the Committee under Article 32.

Art. 34 &

Art. 35. These two articles relative to the purchasing of the Westford Water Company by the Town and for a bill to the Legislature to increase the debt limit as provided by law, in order to purchase it, are not recommended. The Finance Committee at the time of the writing of this report has not received any facts or figures from the sponsors of these articles to warrant any action being taken.

Art. 36. The Finance committee recommends that a committee of five be appointed to study the advisability of the purchase of the Westford Water Company and if practicable present a plan of financing, operation and making extensions at the next Annual Meeting.

If the above recommendations of the Finance Committee are adhered to the tax rate will approximate \$50.00 per thousand dollars of valuation. For every appropriation increase of \$1,000.00 the tax rate will increase approximately 26 cents.

Respectfully submitted,

E. KENT ALLEN, Chairman
W. OTIS DAY
HERFORD N. ELLIOTT
EVERETT SCOTT
ALBERT FORTY
ALLISTER MacDOUGAL.

TOWN OF WESTFORD WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Westford, in said County,

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth, afore-said, to notify and warn all the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections, and also in Town affairs, to meet at their several polling places, viz:

- PRECINCT 1. Town Hall, Westford Center
- PRECINCT 2. Abbott Hall, Graniteville
- PRECINCT 3. Nabnasset School, Brookside
- PRECINCT 4. Abbot Hall, Forge Village

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1948

being the first Monday in said month, at 12:00 o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes for the following officers:

For Three Years

- One Selectman
- One Member of the Board of Public Welfare
- One Assessor
- Two Members of the School Committee
- One Member of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners
- One Trustee of the Public Library
- One Member of the Board of Health
- One Town Clerk
- One Moderator

For One Year

- One Constable
- One Tree Warden

All on one ballot.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 8 P. M., and to meet in the Town Hall at Westford Center on the following

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1948

at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act upon the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Town Officers and Committees; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To determine the salary and compensation of elected officers and officials as provided by law.

ARTICLE 3. To appropriate money to meet the costs and expenses of the following departments, officers and purposes:

1. General Government
2. Town Hall
3. Police Department
4. Fire Department
5. Hydrants
6. Sealer of Weights and Measures
7. Fish and Game Warden
8. Forest Fires
9. Town Forest
10. Tree Warden
11. Moth Department
12. Health Department
13. Cattle Inspector
14. Highway purposes
15. Department of Public Welfare
16. Soldiers' Benefits
17. School Department
18. Vocational tuition
19. Public Library
20. Care of Common
21. Commemoration of Memorial Day
22. Publishing of Town Reports
23. Fire and other insurance
24. Interest on Revenue Loans
25. Cemeteries
26. Street Lights
27. Finance Committee Reserve Fund
28. Unpaid bills of previous years.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway maintenance; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the care of the Whitney Playground; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (\$400.) Dollars, or some other sum, for Band Concerts during the current year; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a certain sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten (\$10.) Dollars and elect a Director, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 of Chapter 128 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift made to it during the year 1947 by the Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc.; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing Groton Road contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing the Town Farm Road and reconstructing, repairing or widening the Town Farm Road Bridge, all contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; repairing or widening; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing two new trucks for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 14, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell two trucks and the Fordson grader now used by the Highway Department and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the two new trucks; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing two snow plows for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 16, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell two snow plows now used by the Highway Department and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the two snow plows to be purchased; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of making alterations and repairs to the steam roller now used by the Highway Department; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of refinishing the Fire House at Westford Center; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing five hundred feet, or some other quantity, of new 2½ inch double jacket treated fire hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing one thousand feet, or some other quantity, of hose to be used by the Forest Fire Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Forest Warden; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from the account entitled "Excess, and Deficiency," the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of erecting a new Fire House at Graniteville, said sum to be in addition to the sum of Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.) Dollars already appropriated for this purpose at the annual Town meeting held February 18, 1946; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Hundred Eighty-Four (\$1384.) Dollars for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of continuing the survey and maps of the Town under the supervision of the Board of Assessors; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install one additional street light on Pine Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install one additional light on West Prescott Street in Forge Village at or near the home of Josephine M. Connell; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install two additional lights on Dunstable Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install one or more lights on Chamberlin Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install one or more street lights on Elm Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install a siren on the Nabnasset School; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to appoint seven voters of the Town to act with the School Committee as a Building Committee, and further vote to authorize and empower said Building Committee to procure plans for the erection of a new school building, or for an addition to the present Academy Building; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 33. In the event of an affirmative vote under the preceding Article, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, to be expended under the supervision of the Building Committee for the purpose of employing an architect to draw plans for a new school building or for an addition to the present Academy Building; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote at its meeting to take by purchase or eminent domain the franchise, property and all rights and privileges of the Westford Water Company in accordance with Section 12 of Chapter 175 of Massachusetts General Laws; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Massachusetts General Court to increase the amount, by which Section 13 of the General Laws of Chapter 175, Acts of 1907, limit the bond issue to \$75,000.; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to have the Moderator appoint a committee of five members to arrange for the purchase of the Westford Water Company and to bring in a report not later than June 1, 1948 relative to the manner in which the Town will set up and operate the Water Company if purchase is voted for by the Town; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Department of Veterans' Services, including the compensation of the Director of Veterans' Services, as provided in Chapter 599 of the Acts of 1946; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use as free cash a sum of money not to exceed Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.) Dollars, said amount to be approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation of the Commonwealth, and said sum to be applied in determining the tax rate for the current year 1948; or act in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up true and attested copies thereof at the Town Hall and at each Post Office in said Westford, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding the first meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixth day of February in the year of our Lord, 1948.

ARTHUR L. HEALY
CYRIL A. BLANEY
EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

Selectmen of Westford.

Annual Report
OF THE
School Committee
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,

1947

ORGANIZATION — SCHOOL COMMITTEE

F. Stanley Smith, Secretary	Term Expires 1950
James L. Knowlton	Term Expires 1950
Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman	Term Expires 1949
Edgar S. Peterson	Term Expires 1949
William J. Kelly	Term Expires 1948
H. Arnold Wilder	Term Expires 1948

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Beaumont A. Herman

Office—Westford Academy

Telephone 561

Office Hours: 8:30 A. M.-4:30 P. M.

CLERK

Mrs. Alice Whitcomb

SCHOOL TELEPHONES:

Cameron School 542

Sargent School 553

Wm. E. Frost School 230

Westford Academy 771

Nabnasset School 233

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Westford, Mass.

Tel. 521

SCHOOL NURSE

Dorothy Healy, R. N., Westford, Mass.

Tel. Office 391, Town Hall

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Westford:

The School Committee has read and accepted the report of the Superintendent of Schools which follows:

In order to operate the Westford Schools for the year 1948 the Committee is asking for the sum of \$117,121 and the amount of \$1500 for vocational tuition. Increased cost of supplies and the higher salaries necessary to obtain teachers account for practically all of the increase in the school budget. The increase in vocational tuition results from higher tuition rates set by the state.

Under the provision of a new statute, the town will receive approximately \$7,400 from the state for bus transportation. This, together with the usual reimbursement on teachers' salaries and for state wards, will bring the net expenditures down to about \$103,000.

One new member, Mr. James L. Knowlton, was elected this year to the Committee, succeeding Mr. Robert Hunter.

FREDERICK W. GATENBY,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Westford School Committee:

I am pleased to submit my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Westford. Inasmuch as I have served as Principal of Westford Academy for the greater part of the year, I shall also report for the Academy.

After the most destructive and disorganizing war our civilization has ever experienced, world leadership has suddenly fallen into the hands of the United States. Individuals and groups are seeking new directions, new relationships, and new values. The destructive forces of Communism are rampant. If our nation is to measure up to the challenge of leadership—and it has no choice—, and if the debilitating and chaotic influences of Communism are successfully to be combatted, a free nation must marshal all of its resources. Among the most vital of these resources is a system of universal education.

Public schools in America were organized to preserve democracy and to keep our nation strong. Our forefathers deemed universal education as the essential process to make our democracy work; an educated and intelligent citizenry is more of a prerequisite in a democratic form of government than in any other form. Education serves the two-fold purpose of strengthening our nation and of developing alert and trained citizens.

About the aims of American education there is little disagreement. In regard to the means for effecting these aims there may be considerable difference of opinion. My report will concern itself largely with an examination of some of the means used in our Westford public schools.

In the vast struggle for educational advances there are a great many individual sectors; and, just as in an extensive military campaign, certain of these sectors are the center of more concerted activities at some times, and at other times the emphasis may shift to other areas. The entire front cannot be advanced simultaneously. In Westford in recent years many advances have been made in socializing our education. Textbooks with emphasis on social aspects have been introduced and much has been done to socialize the work done in classes throughout all the grades. This year we have attempted to hold the advances in these fields, but the main attack has been in the areas of fundamental tools and disciplines. The slogan has been "Fundamentals plus Enrichment." Fundamentals have been deliberately placed first, with as much enrichment as possible added.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

One of the most important skills an individual can possess both inside and outside of school is the ability to read. Facility in reading is not only a source of enjoyment but an essential tool in other school subjects. The wealth of knowledge contained in subject textbooks is valueless to the student unless he has competency in reading. Many failures in subject matter are traceable not to the difficulty of the particular subject but to the inability of the student to read and comprehend the material. One of the most promising fields for the improvement of pupils in every department of learning is remedial reading. The schools must teach first the mechanics of reading and then, as the pupil attains a feeling of security in his ability to read, impart a desire to read.

The first subject, therefore, which was attacked this year in Westford was reading. Examination was made of the existing reading system, consultations were held with professional experts in the field of reading, and teachers' meetings were held to discuss various systems. It was finally decided to adopt the Curriculum Foundation Series of basic readers. This system is the result of many years of scientific research and experimentation. It is particularly helpful to the first grade pupils by its very gradual approach to actual reading ability. It is now in use in the first three grades and will be extended through the other elementary grades.

A subject of much comment among the Academy teachers and among parents has been the palpable weakness of many pupils in spelling. No spelling textbooks were in use in the elementary schools except in one or two rooms. I have always considered spelling a basic subject and found pleasure in comparing systems of spelling for use in our schools. After much consideration it was decided to adopt **THE PUPIL'S OWN VOCABULARY SPELLERS** under the general editorship of Gates who has carried on continuous research in the fields of reading and spelling for over twenty-five years. Each child from grades three to eight now has a spelling text, and a concerted drive is under way to improve the spelling of Westford pupils.

With the new systems of reading and spelling I feel that something concrete has been accomplished in the improvement of fundamentals in our elementary schools. Next year our attention will be focussed on the teaching of arithmetic and English. In this connection we are examining possible courses of study in these subjects in the elementary schools. There is need for some definite guide for teachers in these subjects so that pupils coming from different schools or from different teachers within the same school will have covered the same material and be trained in the same techniques. This is particularly

true where we have a large turnover in our instructional staff and many of our teachers are inexperienced. Our principals do not have the opportunity to provide adequate supervision, and a course of study would be a helpful guide to the young teacher.

ACADEMY

The problem in the Academy is akin to that in practically every American high school. Since 1870 the general population in the United States has increased three times over, whereas the enrollment in high schools for the same period has been multiplied about ninety times. Obviously the high schools are faced with new problems. The secondary school is no longer chiefly a college preparatory school. One problem is to provide the necessary preparation for that percentage of our students who are going on to institutions of higher education and at the same time to offer adequate training for the majority for whom their senior year in the Academy will be their last year of formal education.

Allied to the problem of what courses or subjects to offer in high school is that of promotion. At one time promotion from grade to grade was based entirely upon the passing of a specified group of subjects. As enrollments increased and curriculums expanded to care for those who were not interested in or lacked ability to handle the so-called academic subjects, the conception of the "social promotion" developed. In many cases pupils were promoted even though attainments in specific subjects might be low. Those affected were thus not discouraged from continuing in school, for they advanced along with their social group. The problem, of course, is where to draw the line. If a pupil is promoted merely because "he is doing his best", is it fair to the student who by intensive study makes real academic progress? Yet if the school does not offer a wide variety of courses, does the pupil who is not gifted in the more academic subjects have a fair chance?

Many of our American schools adopt the social promotion theory, and in our Academy we have often given a passing mark of C- to pupils who their teachers felt were working to the extent of their ability. This trend necessitates a re-evaluation of a high school diploma if it is continued. President Beatley of Simmons College emphasized the real problem of social promotions when carried to extremes in an address at the National Education Association in 1930. He stated in part:

"We also graduate pupils whose achievements in secondary education are of little value either to themselves or to the state. The fact that the latter ARE graduated contributes to the confusion that surrounds the meaning of graduation.

Secondary education has ceased to be an interesting intellectual undertaking, especially in the larger schools. Pupils have large freedom to choose combinations of courses which may or may not exhibit any particular coherence. As the result of changes from curriculum to curriculum, the programs of many pupils exhibit a hit-or-miss accumulation of credits.

The conclusion cannot be escaped that secondary-school graduation means merely that the pupil has served time. It is necessary to mention only in passing the well known facts overlapping in achievements of work in various curricula and courses, and the absence of agreement among teachers on standards for determining credits. Failure still eliminates a few of the less competent. For the group as a whole, however, the diploma is not a certificate of competence, but an indication that incompetence HAS NOT BEEN PROVED."

In our own Academy we have no intention of going contrary to a national trend, but we do propose to have our diplomas stand for something positive and we do intend that the courses chosen by the pupils exhibit some coherence. During the past year we have made two changes designed to offer more guidance to the individual student and to improve the general tone of the conduct in the school. These were clarifications of the curriculum and a change in the school hours.

In common with many secondary schools, Westford Academy has for some time stressed the Core Curriculum which provides a basic general education for all. Among the elective subjects, however, a student could choose without any over-all plan. Seniors might take what would be normally freshmen courses, and all students might run the complete range from college preparatory to commercial subjects. We have now shifted to what we call a "controlled core curriculum" in order to integrate the student's four-year program. The present core of required subjects is retained, but the choice of electives is limited in accordance with his over-all four year plan. A skeleton plan of the program is included in this report.

We now designate a student's four year program as an academic, commercial, or general program and indicate in advance the courses from which he may choose his electives. This is an open admission of what had been done often in practice anyway, and helps the entering student to gain a true picture of what his future program will look like.

In some schools no mention is made of a college course; but the entrance requirements of the colleges force the student in practice to take certain courses if he proposes to enter college. Nor is mention made of a commercial course; yet the demands of business force cer-

tain requirements upon the students who would enter commercial pursuits. I believe if we openly inform the student what he will need in a college program, or in a commercial or general program, it will help him gain perspective and will guide him in his choice. The core courses remain the same, but it seems a more candid facing of each student's problem in preparing him for his future to call a spade a spade and to acknowledge the difference in preparation which different interests require.

In the past the average student in the Academy had four periods of subject classes a day and three periods of study, except for an occasional club period. This proved to be an excessive proportion of study or free time, particularly for those electing courses requiring little preparation. We felt that the disproportionate amount of free time led to a slackening of effort and interest and was a contributing factor to laxity in discipline. This was especially true when the majority of study classes were of necessity held in the gymnasium where study facilities are very poor. It seemed wise to encourage in our high school students an attitude of effort and endeavor rather than one of taking it easy. By shortening the school day we scheduled the same number of subject classes and eliminated some of the free time. We hope this will train the more serious students in habits of application and study; for those taking subjects which involve less home study the decrease in free time has meant no handicap. The shortening of the day has also met with approval from the parents of younger children in the elementary schools and from local physicians who realize that, particularly for bus pupils, a long school day is a strain on the strength of the younger children.

We have enlarged the offerings of courses this year in the Academy by adding Economics and second year Bookkeeping for Seniors, Business Law for Juniors, and again offering Junior Business Training for Freshmen. In language we are making a gradual shift from Spanish to French. I feel that for general students one is equally as good as the other, but that for those preparing for higher education French has some definite advantages. This conviction has recently gained support from a brochure sent to school principals by Massachusetts Institute of Technology. This pamphlet discusses the choice of foreign languages for the student planning an engineering career, and states in part . . . "he should study German, or Russian, or both—Russian particularly, if his interest is in chemistry. Since in many schools neither of these will be available, French would be the next choice."

In October the School Committee voted to establish again the separate positions of superintendent and principal of the Academy. This enabled the superintendent to concentrate his full energies on

the administration and supervision of all the schools. It also took advantage of the administrative abilities which Mr. John T. Conrad had exhibited as assistant principal. Mr. Conrad's work since that time has amply justified this decision of the Committee.

PRINCIPALS

A very important factor in maintaining the educative process in Westford at a high level has been the corps of unusually able elementary principals. With differing personalities and backgrounds each has contributed his special talents and all have worked as a unit advancing the over-all plan. I have asked each of them to make a brief statement on one of the newer phases of our program.

Mr. K. Merton Bozoian explains the art program: "For many years, art was accepted as a function of the school in which all pupils were expected to have the same experience and marked according to whether or not they achieved arbitrarily established standards. Art was thus largely a duplication of a given picture or object with little regard for the development of the creative interests, abilities, and capacities of the youngster in his educational experiences.

In keeping with the best practice in education, Westford's art program has developed in the past two years with the modern trend in art specifically as well as education generally that the child should be given every opportunity to express himself through the creative arts. It thus becomes the duty of the school to provide an enriched background of many and varied educational experiences out of which the child may find opportunities for self-expression.

This new philosophy does not mean the child is to be left alone with his materials but rather given freedom to work under guidance. As a youngster feels the need for specific techniques, the teacher is present to give such direction as is essential to the activity being experienced. In giving this assistance, the teacher does not touch the child's work. She doesn't disapprove. She tries to get pupils to thinking about ways to improve their work through a recognition of their needs. She commends good points.

Our art program aims not only to promote working techniques in the way of working in appropriate size, mixing of colors, selecting of proper media, etc., but also to give emphasis to certain habits and attitudes in all grades:

- (1) Developing in the child a genuine pride and a feeling of confidence in his original and individual work.
- (2) Getting youngsters to be willing and eager to experiment with their materials.

- (3) Growing in the ability to work independently and evaluating the results of his efforts.
- (4) Increasing pupil tolerance and consideration for the works and interests of others.
- (5) Applying of art techniques and principles in all phases of the living experience in school and out of school."

Mr. Peter F. Perry on visual aids: "Visual education is one of the recent techniques for making the learning process more interesting and vital. We have in our schools a program and the necessary equipment to fulfill it, of which we are justly proud. Our visual aids at the present time consist of a micro-projector, which belongs to the high school. We also have a moving picture projector and film strip projector which is used entirely at the high school. The elementary schools are equally well supplied, although the moving picture projector unfortunately has to be transported from school to school. Each elementary school has an opaque and film strip projector with a 2/2 slide attachment.

It might be of interest to the townspeople to know that of all the equipment listed above, only the film strip projectors were purchased by the school department. The others were direct gifts to the schools or were purchased by the pupils with money earned through their school activities.

The school department maintains membership in the film library at Visual Education and at Boston University, this membership providing us with both silent and sound films at a saving of approximately 30%. Our program for the schools is planned a year in advance in this way: in the spring of the year each teacher is asked to pick out the films she thinks would be of help to her in her teaching, and the approximate dates she would like to have them. From these choices a program is planned and the order is sent to Boston University and Visual Education at the close of school in June, so that the films will arrive as scheduled when school starts in September.

It is the desire and hope of each elementary school principal that some day each school will own its own moving picture projector because much damage is done to the machine during transportation. Then very often there are films which could be shown in one building at a particular time that would not be of interest in any other building; and if each school had its own machine, these extra films could be shown whenever they would be of the most value."

Mr. Gordon C. Getchell on intra-school radio: "In keeping with the latest philosophies of education which advocate making use of

as many of the pupil's natural senses as possible, the children of Westford are offered in addition to the aforementioned visual aids, several aids which make use of the sense of hearing. These aids are all made possible through the installation of amplifying systems with individual room speakers in all our larger schools. This program was started last year at the Frost School with three rooms being equipped. Since then eight rooms have been equipped at the Sargent School, eight rooms and the gymnasium at the Academy and eight rooms at the Cameron School. These installations have all been made possible through funds raised by the pupils plus the generous cooperation of the townspeople. These amplifying systems have many uses, among which are the following:

- (1) Announcements by pupils and teachers to any one, or all rooms, from a central point.
- (2) Special records played into the amplifier for the use of any room so desiring them. This is especially valuable for music appreciation lessons.
- (3) The directing of special radio programs to any room in the building. These programs are plentiful and worthwhile, being prepared by the radio stations in conjunction with the State Department of Education.
- (4) Pupil dramatizations broadcast to the rooms over the system are ever popular and worthwhile educationally. These broadcasts help to develop enunciation and pronunciation among the pupils taking part. Group singing by selected pupils has also proved worthwhile."

BUILDINGS

As happens every year with buildings as old as ours, many repairs have to be made. In the Academy we have finally completed the work necessary to obtain the certificate of approval from the state building inspector. This involved changes in the fire doors on each floor and the installing of fusible links for each such door. Fire extinguishers were also purchased for the Nabnassett School.

Following is the list of the major repairs done:

New locks installed on outside doors of Academy, Frost, Sargent, and Cameron Schools.

Basement stairs, and roof saddle board repaired at Sargent School.

Capping replaced on roof at Frost School.

Chimney rebuilt and roof flashing replaced at Academy.

Several plumbing repairs at Academy and Frost School.

New outside basement door and outside stairs at Frost School.

An unexpected accident which involved considerable expense was the splitting of one section of the boiler at Cameron School. Fortunately, this occurred in the spring so that the actual repair work could be accomplished during the summer vacation.

None of the repairs, of course, hit at our chief building problem which is the inadequacy of our present Academy and Frost School. Last year the Joint Committee to Investigate the Need for New Schools in Westford surveyed the situation thoroughly and recommended the planning of a six-year secondary school. Several meetings of the committee have been held this year, and the conviction is intensified that within four or five years both the Academy and Frost School will be absolutely inadequate and that planning should begin immediately. This past September the situation in Frost School was ameliorated somewhat by transferring a busload of pupils to Cameron School. Still another group may have to be transferred at the opening of school in September. This is a quite unsatisfactory solution, however, as it involves transporting young children a considerable distance from their homes and brings forth many complaints from parents.

Eleven years ago, on November 27, 1936, the State Supervisor of Secondary Education wrote to the then superintendent a comment on conditions in the Academy. In part he said:

"You are terribly crowded, of course, and the building is an old one. To have to use the gymnasium for study seems especially bad to me. You have no lunchroom, no household arts, no manual arts, and no physical education; all of which means that you are not operating a truly up-to-date high school. A new building would be the solution. I almost wonder that the building inspector did not condemn Rooms 8, 9, and 10, because it seems as though the lighting and ventilation were very poor in these rooms."

I wonder if Westford citizens think that eleven years of service since that report have improved the condition of the Academy.

TEACHING STAFF

This report has been concerned largely with the means by which we are educating our young people. In the last analysis, however, all education rests with the teachers. Perhaps the chief problem of any school administrator is to secure, guide, and retain good teachers. In the competition for the limited supply of competent teachers, Westford has been in an unfavorable position because of its low salary scale, particularly in the case of elementary teachers. I could

not help noticing the contrast between a letter written by a previous superintendent to a state official and a statement by the school committee of a neighboring town. The Westford superintendent said that our town was admittedly committed to the policy of engaging inexperienced teachers, holding them for a year or two, and then losing them to systems which could offer them better salaries. The neighboring school committee stated that it was prepared to offer its good teachers what was necessary to keep them. In the long run there can be no doubt which policy will provide better education.

In the past two years we have lost 27 teachers. This tremendous turnover in a staff of 32 is significant. No business firm could operate efficiently with such a turnover, nor should a school system be expected to.

Some pertinent figures may show the relative position of teachers in the community. From 1941 to 1947, per capita income in Massachusetts rose 77%, from \$766 to \$1356. In this same period factory wages rose 88%; the cost of living rose 49.4%. Teachers' salaries rose 37.7%, which leaves them in a comparatively poorer situation now than in 1941. Weekly earnings of factory wage earners in Massachusetts in 1947 averaged \$47.70, compared with \$20.90 in 1939. This is an AVERAGE, yet it is higher than the salary of the HIGHEST PAID teacher in Westford.

In regard to our total budget, I may say that there are 104 towns of under 5000 population in Massachusetts which maintain high schools. Of these towns, 99 showed a greater percentage of increase in their 1947 expenditures over 1946 than did Westford. The median increase was 20.7%; Westford's increase was 8.4%.

PERSONNEL

Last June the following teachers, among whom were some of our most competent instructors, left Westford:

From the Academy: Miss E. Louise Fremeau and Mrs. Helen R. Rochefort; from Cameron School: Miss Louise E. Thompson, Miss Claire H. Topping, Miss Rosemary B. Nicholson, Miss D. Ethel Cleary, and Mrs. Helen B. Mills; from Frost School: Miss Mollie A. Mazur, and Miss Kathleen R. Hammersley; from Sargent School: Miss Helen C. Laganas, and Miss June L. Barnard. Mr. Chester V. Sweatt, who gave years of devoted service and technical leadership both as teacher and superintendent, left to become superintendent of the Ashland-Hopkinton Union in January, 1947. The mark of his organizational skill will not easily disappear.

GIFTS

It is a privilege to extend thanks for gifts which our schools have this year received. The Trustees of Westford Academy have financed the Iowa Tests of Educational Development at the Academy and have also donated prizes at graduation. Mr. Herford Elliott has sponsored a nature course for our fifth grade pupils under the direction of Miss Mary James of the Massachusetts Audubon Society. The Abbot Worsted Company and the C. G. Sargent & Sons Corporation have again made generous donations for the expenses of Christmas parties in the elementary schools. Harold Wright has greatly aided the athletic program in the Academy by offering free transportation to basketball games. Both the Community Club and Nabnasset Boosters have made contributions to the enrichment of the program at Nabnasset School.

In closing I wish to express sincere appreciation to all who have made my first year as superintendent at Westford a pleasant one—to the teachers, principals, secretary, and all school personnel for unlimited cooperation, to the school committee for counsel and encouragement, and to the townspeople for understanding and support of school policies.

WESTFORD ACADEMY

PROGRAM OF STUDIES — 1947-1948

	Course for all Students	Electives for Courses		
		Academic	Commercial	General
Freshmen	English I Algebra I or Practical Math	Civics Language General Science	Civics Language General Science Junior Business Training	Civics Language General Science Junior Business Training
Sophomores	English II World History	Plane Geometry Biology Foreign Language	Typewriting I Bookkeeping I Biology Foreign Language	Biology Global Geography Foreign Language Typewriting
Juniors	English III U. S. History	Algebra II Foreign Language Chemistry	Bookkeeping I or II Stenography I Typewriting II Psychology Foreign Language	Psychology Chemistry Foreign Language Typewriting
Seniors	English IV Problems of Democracy	Chemistry Foreign Language Physics Trigonometry & Solid Geometry Economics	Stenography II Bookkeeping II Foreign Language Consumer Science	Economics Consumer Science Physics Foreign Language Chemistry

1. All subjects listed above meet five periods a week and provide one unit of credit.
2. All pupils take Music one period a week.
3. A student enrollment of at least 10 may be required for a class section in any subject.

EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—YEAR 1947

SCHOOLS

Teachers' Salaries

Academy	\$ 20,084.64	
Elementary	45,267.75	\$ 65,352.39

Textbooks

Academy	567.07	
Elementary	1,004.93	1,572.00

Supplies

Academy	901.68	
Elementary	2,093.51	2,995.19

Other Expense of Instruction

Academy	221.00	
Elementary	215.00	436.00

Janitors' Salaries

Academy	2,379.84	
Elementary	6,339.52	8,719.36

Fuel

Academy	987.71	
Elementary	2,650.23	3,637.94

Miscellaneous Operation

Academy		
Water	103.82	
Janitors' Supplies	255.04	
Lights	356.31	
Telephone	33.12	
Elementary		
Water	225.04	
Janitors' Supplies	472.45	
Lights	426.05	
Telephone	101.49	1,973.32

Repairs

Academy	1,114.67	
Elementary	2,017.63	3,132.30

Furniture and Fixtures

Academy	758.27	758.27
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Health

Academy	85.39	
Elementary	235.36	320.75

Transportation		
Academy	4,307.45	
Elementary	4,281.95	8,589.40
Tuition		
Academy	182.78	
Elementary	77.70	260.48
Other Expense		
Academy	160.25	
Elementary	166.73	326.98
General Control		
Superintendent's Salary	2,448.32	
Superintendent's Expenses	221.31	
Clerk	1,200.00	
School Census	85.00	
Office Expenses	265.16	4,219.79
Outlay		
Academy	103.36	
Elementary	102.36	205.72
Total		<u>\$102,499.89</u>
Vocational Tuition		755.40
		<u>\$103,255.29</u>
Receipts:		
Reimbursement for State Wards	\$1,120.46	
Reimbursement (State Income Tax)	5,555.00	
Reimbursement on Transportation	4,939.80	
Reimbursement out-of-town tuition	398.31	
Reimbursement vocational tuition	438.00	12,451.57
Total Net Cost to Town		<u>\$ 90,803.72</u>

CORPS OF TEACHERS 1947-1948

School	Teachers	Training at	Date of Appointment
Westford Academy	John T. Conrad, B. E., Principal (<i>St. Anselm's, Keene Teachers College</i>)	Social Studies	Sept. 1946
	Carolyn E. Ashworth, A. B. (<i>Boston University</i>)	English, Social Studies	Sept. 1943
	Eliz Dohanian, B. S. (<i>Tufts College</i>)	French, Algebra, Economics	Sept. 1947
	Mary A. Finn, B. S. E. (<i>Salem Teachers College</i>)	Commercial Subjects	Sept. 1946
	Marilyn Peak, A. B. (<i>Tufts College</i>)	English, Social Studies	Sept. 1947
	John A. Rennie, A. B. (<i>Wesleyan University</i>)	Chemistry, Biology	Sept. 1946
	Kenneth H. Robes, B. S. (<i>Dartmouth College</i>)	Physics, Mathematics	Jan. 1947
	David L. Wyman, A. B., A. M. (<i>Tufts College, Harvard</i>)	English, Business Law	Sept. 1946
	Peter F. Perry, B. S., M. Ed., Principal (<i>Hyannis, Boston University</i>)		Grade 8 Sept. 1924
	M. Estelle Guay, B. S. E.	(<i>Lowell Teachers College</i>)	1 Sept. 1947
Cameron School	Ruth A. Walker	(<i>Lowell Normal</i>)	2 Sept. 1922
	Jean M. Frazier, B. S. E.	(<i>Lowell Teachers College</i>)	3 Sept. 1946
	M. Sheila Gilmore, B. S. E.	(<i>Lowell Teachers College</i>)	4 Sept. 1947
	Natalie Hart, B. S. E.	(<i>Lowell Teachers College</i>)	5 Sept. 1947

M. Patricia Backus, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 6 Sept. 1947
 *Marie A. Stroup, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 7 Sept. 1947
 Harold Hershfield, S.B., B.S.E., M.Ed. ----- 7 Jan. 1948
 (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, Harvard)

Wm. E. Frost School.....K. Merton Bozoian, B.S.E., M.Ed., Principal 8 Jan. 1942
 (Bridgewater, Harvard)

Marjorie D. Raney, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 1 Sept. 1947
 Shirley M. Oliver, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 2 Sept. 1940
 Ruth P. Tuttle ----- (Lowell Normal) 3, 4 Sept. 1903
 Rita H. Miller, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 5 Sept. 1939
 Gertrude H. Madden ----- (Lowell Normal) 6, 7 Sept. 1947

Sargent School -----Gordon C. Getchell, B.S.E., M.Ed., Principal 8 Sept. 1944
 (Salem Teachers College, Boston University)

**Charlotte C. Cronin, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 1 Sept. 1946
 Margery S. Flint ----- (Fitchburg Normal) 1 Jan. 1948
 Jean E. Bell ----- (Fitchburg Normal) 2 April 1930
 Martha M. Yoshida, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 3 Sept. 1946
 Lottie D. Blodgett ----- (Farmington Normal) 4 Sept. 1916
 Mary P. Mahoney, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) 5 Sept. 1947
 Gertrude D. Houghton, A.B. ----- (Regis College) 6 Sept. 1947
 Lillian G. Wright ----- (Lowell Normal) 7 Sept. 1914

Nabnassett School -----Ruth L. Wright 1, 2, 3 Sept. 1946
 (Plymouth Normal)

Supervisor of Music
 and Art -----Helen E. Hume, B.S.E. ----- (Lowell Teachers College) Sept. 1947

School Nurse -----Dorothy Healy, R.N. ----- (Framingham—Union Hospital) Sept. 1941

Superintendent ----- Beaumont A. Herman, A.B., A.M., Ph. D.
(*Harvard, Boston College, Tufts College, Boston University*)

* Marie A. Stroup resigned Jan. 23, 1948

** Charlotte C. Cronin resigned Jan. 16, 1948

Feb. 1947

ENROLLMENT—WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 20, 1947

	Academy	Cameron	Frost	Sargent	Nabnasset	Total
Grade						
1		25	25	22	8	80
2		13	19	15	9	56
3		27	11	25	11	74
4		26	18	36		80
5		28	19	28		75
6		24	14	25		63
7		19	15	28		62
8		19	17	21		57
9	41					41
10	46					46
11	44					44
12	36					36
PG	2					2
Totals	169	181	138	200	28	716

Elementary Enrolment—547.

High School Enrolment—169.

REGISTRATION OF MINORS

October 1, 1947

Minors by Age Groups	5-7	7-16	Totals
Girls	66	276	342
Boys	72	279	351
Totals	138	555	693

PERCENT OF ATTENDANCE

1946-1947

Academy	93.93%
Cameron	95.67%
Frost	96.36%
Nabnasset	94.16%
Sargent	94.07%

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES

CAMERON SCHOOL

Richard Joseph Brule	Lorraine Kathryn Connell
Clarence Richard Connell	Doris Mary Gelinas

Marilyn Ann Haley
 William Edward Hildreth
 Virginia D. Hosmer
 Constance Mary Lahmé
 Claude G. Lamy
 Norman Marcel Lamy

Roger Joseph Pellerin
 Dolores Mary Ricard
 Lionel Joseph Paul Ricard
 Ralph Roland Rice
 Mary Sedach
 Rita Mary Venn

WM. E. FROST SCHOOL

Joan Anderson
 Frederick Arlington Burne
 George Spencer Fletcher
 Helen Hildreth
 Nancy Lee Holmes
 Barbara Jean Kimball

Leah Nora Knowlton
 Alice Karen Mann
 Pauline Marion Prescott
 Evelyn Irene Rancour
 Eleanor Ruth Reynolds
 George Thomas Sullivan

SARGENT SCHOOL

Marjorie Irene Aldrich
 Gabrielle Alice Boisvert
 Robert Joseph Carbonneau
 Alice Ann Connolly
 Marion Theresa Doucette
 Paul Henry Dunigan
 Mildred E. Eddy
 Arthur Whitley Gatenby
 Robert Morris Guillemette

Julia Mae MacQuarrie
 Morris J. Marshall
 John Carl Paduano
 Rose M. Paduano
 Marion Louise Roberts
 William Elbert Robinson, Jr.
 E. Carlton Stuart
 Esther Florence VanNorden

WESTFORD ACADEMY GRADUATES

JUNE 13, 1947

Eugene Barretto
 Leo Caliste Bechard
 David Arthur Burnham
 Margaret Cecelia Chandonait
 Walter Cinsavich
 Marion Kathleen Connell
 Vivian Marguerite Connell
 Nancy Patricia Corkum
 Laura May Darling
 Mary Virginia Delaney
 Robert Conard Fenton, Jr.
 Charlotte Lillian Fletcher
 Arthur Theodore Greenslade, Jr.
 George Richard Haley

Daniel J. Hartley
 John James Kavanagh
 Audrey Ruth King
 Irene Kostechko
 Jacqueline Vivian Lamy
 Lorraine Theresa Lamy
 Mildred Edith Lavalley
 Shirley Claire March
 Mary Marshall
 Theresa Alice Ann Nadolny
 Beverly Irene Nickles
 June Louise Olson
 Madeline Eva Olsson
 Roland Joseph Panneton

Gerry Porter	Phyllis Rita Wajda
Lois Evelyn Shea	Ruth Lillian Walker
Ethel Marion Smith	Patricia Ann Wood
James Ellis Studdiford	Doris Helen Wright
Mary Josephine Sullivan	Kathleen Veronica Young
Walter Teresko	

James H. Brown, Jr. (As of Class of '44)

PROGRAM

ENTRANCE MARCH—"Pomp and Chivalry"	Roberts
Charlotte White	

INVOCATION

Rev. Max Gaebler

SALUTATORY—"Try-Trust"

Margaret Cecelia Chandonait

GLEE CLUB—"I Passed By Your Window"

Brahe-Taylor

REMARKS

Dr. Beaumont A. Herman
Superintendent of Schools

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT

James Ellis Studdiford
President of Class of 1947

ACCEPTANCE OF CLASS GIFT

Robert Connell
President of Class of 1948

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

Mr. Gordon B. Seavey
Trustee of Westford Academy

ADDRESS—"The Measure of Maturity"

Rev. Archiver J. Strait

GLEE CLUB—"One World"

O'Hara-Bratton

VALEDICTORY—"Triumph"

James Ellis Studdiford

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Mr. Frederick W. Gatenby
Chairman of School Board

CLASS SONG

James Ellis Studdiford

EXIT MARCH—"Pomp and Chivalry"

Roberts

Charlotte White

CLASS MOTTO

"Try, Trust, Triumph"

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS MARSHAL

John James Kavanagh

CLASS FLOWER

American Beauty Rose

WINNERS OF PRIZES

(Given by Trustees)

AWARDED AT GRADUATION EXERCISES

Member of Senior Class for Excellence in English:

Five Dollars—James Ellis Studdiford

Member of Senior Class for Excellence in Mathematics and Science:

Five Dollars—Lois Evelyn Shea

Member of Senior Class for Excellence in Secretarial Science:

Five Dollars—Mary Virginia Delaney

Member of Senior Class, the Most Worthy Representative of Westford Academy:

Five Dollars—Beverly Irene Nickles

Member of the Class of 1948, the Most Worthy Representative of Westford Academy:

Five Dollars—Patricia W. Burne

Member of the Class of 1949, the Most Worthy Representative of Westford Academy:

Five Dollars—Edwin W. Nixon

Member of the Class of 1950, the Most Worthy Representative of Westford Academy:

Five Dollars—Cecile Milot

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Members of the School Committee:

The following is my report as School Physician for the year ending December 31, 1947.

The usual physical examinations were made on all of the children attending the public schools of Westford. A separate physical examination was made to recheck all the cases in which major physical defects were found, in order that the parents of the children could be notified as to what procedure would be needed for them to see that the children would get the needed medical or surgical care when major defects were found.

A special examination was made on the pupils of the Academy who were to play football and basketball, in order that they could carry Liability Insurance and to find out if they were in the right physical condition to enter in these sports.

A large number of pupils were treated at the Abbot Worsted Company Hospital for minor surgical and medical conditions. These cases came to me as emergency cases referred to me by the Principals of the different schools.

Cooperation by the Board of Health Nurse, teachers, and parents of the children was splendid as it has been in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. DWIGHT W. COWLES

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

December 31, 1947

Dr. Beaumont A. Herman
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the school nurse from January 1, to December 31, 1947:

Schools visited	275
First aid and dressings	68
Children examined for minor ailments	286
Children recommended for exclusion because of contagious disease, skin infection or pediculosis.....	2
Assisted at clinic for mentally retarded children. Number of children seen	3

Vaccinations checked.

Weighed and measured all school children.

Audiometer, loaned by State Department of Public Health, used to check hearing of all children in grades 4 to 12.

Assisted school physician with physical examination of all school children in Spring and Fall of 1947.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. HEALY. R. N.

REPORT OF PENMANSHIP SUPERVISOR

December 17, 1947

Dr. Beaumont A. Herman
Superintendent of Schools
Westford Academy
Westford, Massachusetts

My dear Dr. Herman:

I am pleased to submit the following report of the operation of the Handwriting program in the Westford schools for the school year of 1946-47.

In the initial tests in Handwriting administered in September, 1940, 20% of your elementary school pupils received a grade of "A" (Excellent); 8% received a grade of "B"; and 72% were graded less than "B". In the June tests administered in 1947, 78.3% of your pupils were graded "A" (Excellent); 16.6% scored "B" (Good); and 5.1% were graded less than "B". Handwriting certificates were awarded to 80% of your eighth grade pupils.

During the last school year, we graded approximately 5000 formal and 15,000 informal samples of handwriting for the elementary school children.

We furnished the following supplies during the year: monthly outlines for the teachers, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, monthly and term envelopes, term testing paper, individual handwriting certificates for eighth grade pupils who qualified, diagnostic charts, seals, etc.

In general, I am pleased with the results obtained and wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your teachers for the fine cooperation I have received.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. RINEHART,
Director.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1947-1948

Teachers' Meeting.....	Tuesday, September 2
Fall Term	September 3-December 23—75 days
Winter Term	January 5-February 20—35 days
Spring Term	March 1-April 16—34 days
Summer Term	April 26-June 22—41 days
Total—185 days	

Days omitted:

Columbus Day—Oct. 13.	Thanksgiving Recess—Nov. 27, 28.
Teachers' Convention—Oct. 31.	Good Friday—Mar. 26.
Armistice Day—Nov. 11.	Memorial Day—May 31.

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

The No-School signal will be two blows of the fire alarm whistle repeated three times.

The above signal will be given at 7:10 A. M. unless icing conditions begin about that time, in which case the No-School signal may be blown as late as 7:45 A. M.

The No-School announcement will be broadcast over stations WEEI, WBZ, WLLH and WLAW whenever possible.

It is the policy of the School Department to keep schools in sessions on all days during which it is safe for buses to be operated. The widely varying conditions in the several parts of Westford make it difficult to reach decisions equally fair to all. On days when the weather condition is questionable parents are urged to exercise their own judgment as to the wisdom of sending their children to school.

Annual Report

OF THE

J. V. Fletcher Library

OF THE

TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,

1947

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY

January 1, 1948

The trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library respectfully submit their annual report for 1947 including the report of the librarian and the list of books added in 1947.

Continuing our program of repairs in the library our added appropriation made it possible to redecorate the walls of the front rooms and to refinish the floors. This year we hope to do the same in the stack room and sometime in the future to refinish the rooms upstairs which have never been done since the library was built.

During the years since the J. V. Fletcher Library was built there have been only four janitors: Ai Bicknell 1896-1913, Charles H. Pickering 1914-1923, Frederick A. Hanscom 1920-32 and Frank A. Wright who after serving for fifteen years resigned in April. During the summer months the building was under the care of Miss Day and Mr. Roudenbush who supervised the work on the lawn. On December first Carroll Rollins accepted the janitorship for the winter.

Due to the need of continued repairs and the increase in salaries the trustees ask for the following appropriation to carry on the work of the library and its branches, viz.:

1. The sum of thirty-six hundred (\$3,600.00) dollars.
2. The receipts from the dog licenses in 1947.

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH, Chairman
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR
ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY FOR 1947

Salaries and wages:

Librarian	\$ 1,000.02
Janitor	251.82
Assistants	409.83
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	\$ 1,661.67

Books and periodicals:

Books	\$ 846.77
Periodicals	219.10
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	\$ 1,065.87

Fuel	530.12
Electricity	77.67

Buildings:

Water	\$	24.80	
Janitor's supplies		8.00	
Repairs		420.51	
Care of grounds and shrubbery		75.90	
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	\$		529.21

Other expenses:

Telephone	\$	25.46	
Transportation of books		30.00	
Stationery and postage		4.06	
Miscellaneous		23.37	
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	\$		82.89
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	\$		3,947.43

INCOME

Town appropriation	\$3,300.00	
Receipts from dog licenses	382.67	
Interest from funds	264.76	
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	\$	3,947.43
Receipts from fines	\$	76.71

January 1, 1948

To the Trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library:

The librarian submits her thirtieth report since she began her work here February, 1918. The library has occupied the building presented by J. V. Fletcher nearly fifty-two years of its eighty-nine years of existence as a public library. It was originally kept in private homes as was the Social Library before it was given to the town. It was moved to a room in the town hall in 1871. During the time since libraries were first started, rules and regulations have changed greatly as a better understanding of their purpose and value has been realized so that no longer would any librarian agree to the following admonition for good librarians as quoted from an old manual by the Bulletin of the American Library Association: "So far as your authority will permit of it, exercise great discrimination as to which persons shall be admitted to the use of the library. For the treasure house of literature is no more to be thrown open to the ravages of the unreasoning mob than is a fair garden to be laid unprotected at the mercy of a swarm of beasts." Now no librarian will be satisfied until the library can be of some use to everyone in the community.

We are glad to report that it has been possible to open a deposit station in Graniteville at the home of Mrs. Francis C. Wood on River Street which will make it more convenient for the people of that village to obtain books. The people of Forge Village and Nabnasset already have the opportunity to get books at their post offices.

The children of the Frost school who go in buses still get their books during the noon hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For the high school pupils this year the library opens at 10.30 on Tuesdays and they are allowed to come up during their free periods.

Books that are needed for specialized purposes are still borrowed through the Division of Public Libraries which has been very helpful in supplying books on education for teachers, those in foreign languages and on various other subjects. Two books on plumbing borrowed for one reader were of so much help that he purchased them for himself. A few books have been borrowed from and loaned to other libraries.

Books of music have been popular in the children's room lately. To increase their number the librarian salvaged the songs from old copies of Grade Teacher and Instructor to paste in scrapbooks. There is also a collection of books on music for adults, including the magazine *Etude*. Perhaps in the future it may be possible to provide records.

The exhibits in the Frost museum case have included articles used in colonial times, Christmas cards by Grandma Moses, stamps and first day covers and Christmas creche.

Mrs. Helen Budge, our assistant, and Mr. Arthur L. Hope have kept the library well supplied with lovely flowers during the summer. During the winter the library was made more cheerful by the evergreens supplied by Miss Marion F. Winnek.

When the schools were studying colonial life and customs the librarian was asked to exhibit and talk on various articles contained in the library collection and among her personal possessions. They were shown to the eighth grade at Forge Village on January 17 and to the fifth grade at Graniteville on February 10, being on exhibit in the Frost case between those dates. On January 22 she showed her Greek dolls to the sixth grade in Graniteville which had been studying that country.

On Friday night July 18 the library was entered after several attempts by unknown persons. Only a few cents were obtained as that is all that is ever left there but damage was done to a door lock and the window through which they finally entered.

In January a box was placed on the counter so that those who wished could contribute to the infantile paralysis fund.

The librarian attended the two-day meeting of the Massachusetts Library Association at Pittsfield in May, one day of the New England Library Association meeting at Swampscott in October, the Merrimack Valley local group at North Andover in June and several sessions of the Library Institute held at Simmons College in July. She also had a chance to visit libraries at Amherst, Athol, Fitchburg and Foxboro.

A few new magazines have been added and two have changed their names—Asia to United Nations World and Better Food to Practical Home Economics. All except current numbers may be borrowed for one week and the list for the coming year is as follows:

WEEKLIES

Geographic News Bulletin	News Week
Illustrated London News	Publishers' Weekly
Life	Saturday Evening Post
New York Times Book Review	Time

MONTHLIES

A. L. A. Booklist	American
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American Girl
 American Home
 American Photography
 Antiques
 Atlantic Monthly
 Better Homes and Gardens
 Book Review Digest
 Boys' Life
 Coronet
 Cosmopolitan
 Country Gentleman
 Etude
 Flying and Popular Aviation
 Fortune
 Good Housekeeping
 Grade Teacher
 Harper's Monthly
 Hobbies
 Holiday
 House Beautiful
 Hygeia
 Instructor
 Jack and Jill
 Journal of Living

Junior Natural History
 Ladies' Home Journal
 National Geographic
 Natural History
 Nature
 Open Road
 Outdoor Life
 Parents' Magazine
 Popular Mechanics
 Popular Science Monthly
 Practical Home Economics
 Reader's Guide to Periodical
 Literature
 Reader's Digest
 School Arts
 Social Action
 Sport
 Travel
 Uncle Ray's Magazine
 United Nations World
 Wilson Bulletin
 Woman's Home Companion
 World in Books
 Yankee

BI-MONTHLY

Horn Book

Popular Homecraft

SEMI-MONTHLY

Library Journal

QUARTERLIES

Old Time New England

Subscription Books Bulletin

PERIODICALS GIVEN, 1946

Advance
 Army Life
 Automobile Facts
 The A V
 Bell Telephone Quarterly
 Book-of-the-Month Club News
 Books, N. Y. Herald Tribune

From Miss May E. Day
 From War Department
 From Automobile Manufacturers
 Association
 From the Publishers
 From American Tel. & Tel. Co.
 From Book of the Month Club
 From The Old Corner Book Store

Christian Register	From Unitarian Alliance of Westford
Christian Science Monitor	From Miss Mary E. Burbeck
Christian Science Journal	From Miss Mary E. Burbeck
Collier's	From Mrs. Wm. K. Budge
DuPont Magazine	From DuPont de Nemours Co.
Federation Topics	From The Tadmuck Club
Journal of Calendar Reform	From World Calendar Association
The Lamp	From Miss Alice M. Howard
Middlesex County Bulletin	From Middlesex County Extension Service
National Grange Monthly	From Westford Grange
Nation's Business	From Moses L. Fecteau
New England News Letter	From New England Council
New Hampshire Troubadour	From State of New Hampshire
New Yorker	From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey
Our Dumb Animals	From the Publishers
Pemex Travel Club Bulletin	From Petroloes Mexicanos
Steel Facts	From American Iron & Steel Institute
Steelways	From Am. Iron & Steel Institute
Tax Talk	From Mass. Federation of Taxpayers' Association
This Week	From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey
Today's Home	From the Gas Co.
Travelers Standard	From Travelers Insurance Co.
United States News	From Mrs. Henry W. Hildreth
Woman's Day	From Miss Mabel M. Prescott

NAMES OF DONORS, 1947

Booker, Mrs. C.—7 volumes
 Bozoian, K. Merton—one volume
 Burbeck, Miss Mary E.—one volume
 Caunter, Miss Florence E.—one volume
 Chisholm, Mrs. Nelson A.—one volume
 Chace, Stephen—5 volumes
 Chrysler Corporation—one volume
 Church fair book table—3 volumes and paper bound books
 Dane, Mrs. Walter F.—one volume
 Fisher, John—one volume and paper bound books
 Fisher, Miss Ruth—one volume
 Hamlin, Miss Edna M.—3 volumes
 Martin, Mrs. Arthur B.—2 volumes and paper bound books
 Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.—one volume
 Paige, Hugo T.—3 cases of butterflies

Prescott, Miss Mabel M.—4 jig-saw puzzles
 St. Onge, Norman and Mona—10 jig-saw puzzles
 Smith, William—one volume
 Standard Oil Co.—one volume
 Studdiford, Wm. C.—6 volumes
 Symmes, Miss Martha—12 volumes
 Thacher, Miss Margaret E.—one volume
 Waugh, John—one volume

CIRCULATION

Total circulation of bound volumes	13,819
Volumes lent at Library	12,190
Volumes lent at Graniteville	819
Volumes lent at Forge Village	578
Volumes lent at Nabnasset	232
Circulation in children's department	5,365
Volumes lent thru schools	1,394
Periodicals lent	2,967
Pamphlets and clippings lent	343
Pictures loaned	1,536
Jig-saw puzzles loaned	45
Number of days open	152
Largest monthly circulation of bound volumes, March	1,265
Smallest monthly circulation, December	778
Largest daily circulation, January 7	163
Smallest daily circulation, June 28, Dec. 23	23

ACCESSIONS

Volumes added by purchase	384
Volumes added by gift	36
Returned—previously reported missing	3
Total number added	423
Number of volumes discarded	95
Number of volumes in Library	19,359

AMOUNT OF FUNDS

Legacy of Stephen S. Stone	\$1,000.00
Legacy of Augustus K. Fletcher	1,000.00
Legacy of Mary M. Henarie, Laws Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of John M. Osgood	1,000.00
Legacy of Jennie Reed Wilkins	150.00
Legacy of Adeline T. Burbeck	500.00
Legacy of Albert E. Prescott	7,056.08
Legacy of William J. Burbeck	1,000.00
Legacy of Frederick A. Burbeck	1,000.00

REGULATIONS

The J. V. Fletcher Library is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays (legal holidays excepted) from 1:30 till 5, and from 6:30 till 9:00 P. M.

The Nabnasset deposit station at the Post Office in charge of Mrs. Edna G. MacLeod is open daily.

The Graniteville deposit station at the home of Mrs. Francis C. Wood is open Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 2.30 to 5; 6 to 7.30.

The Forge Village deposit station at the post office in charge of Miss Josephine P. Connell is open daily.

New books of fiction can be kept only one week; but there may be one renewal. All other books may be kept four weeks. Renewals may be made by telephone or by postal.

No book shall be transferred, or acknowledged as returned, unless delivered to the librarian.

For each day that a book is kept beyond the prescribed time a fine of one cent is charged.

Borrowers finding books mutilated or defaced should report the fact to the librarian.

LIST OF BOOKS ADDED, 1947

CLASSIFIED BOOKS

Acton, Mass.—Vital records to 1850	929 V
Alsop, Gulielma F.—April in the branches	635.9 A
Alsop, Gulielma F.—Deer Creek, story of a golden childhood B A462	
American sculptors—Daniel Chester French	735.73 F
Amory, Cleveland—Proper Bostonians	917.440 Bos A
Arnall, Ellis G.—The shore dimly seen	973.917 A
Aswell, James R., ed.—Native American humor	817.08 A
Baruch, Dorothy W.—Glass house of prejudice	325.73 B
Bendure, Zelma and Pfeiffer, G. B.—America's fabrics	677 B
Bennett, E. Arnold—How to live	170 B41
Bernheim, Bertram M.—A surgeon's domain	617.069 B
Binger, Carl A. L.—Doctor's job	610 B
Boni, Margaret B., ed.—Fireside book of folk songs	784.4 B1
Botkin, B. A., ed.—Treasury of New England folklore	398 B3
Bowles, Ella S. and Towle, Dorothy S.—Secrets of New England cooking	641.5 B1
Bovey, Martin—Whistling wings	799.2 B

Brink, Carol R.—Harps in the wind	B H976
Brophy, Loire—There's plenty of room at the top	174.8 B3
Butterfield, Roger—The American past; from Concord to Hiroshima	973 B12
Buxton, Bessie R.—Begonias and how to grow them	635.9334 B
Byrnes, James F.—Speaking frankly	327.73 B
Calahan, Harold A.—Geography for grown-ups	551.4 C
Carlson, Earl R.—Born that way	B C285
Camera digest	770 C1
Chapel, Charles E.—Gun collecting	683 C
Chandos, Dane—Abbie	818 C2
Clendening, Logan—The human body	612 C
Coatsworth, Elizabeth J.—Maine ways	917.41 C3
Coombs, Anna O.—Modern Swedish cook book	641.5 C
Cooper, Dan—Inside your home	747 C
Cresson, Margaret F.—Journey into fame; life of Daniel Chester French	B F8742.1
Crouse, William H.—Automotive mechanics	629.2 C
Crum, Bartley C.—Behind the silken curtain	956.9 C
Current biography, 1946	920 C2
Cullen, Countee—On these I stand	811 C20
Curle, Richard—Stamp-collecting	383.2 C
Davis, Mary G.—Randolph Caldecott, 1846-1886	B C146
Deschin, Jacob—Fun with your camera	770 D2
DeWick, Ernest S. and Cooper, J. H.—Plastic art	668.4 D
Dowdey, Clifford—Experiment in rebellion	973.7 D
Downes, Edward—Adventures in symphonic music	785.11 D1
Drepperd, Carl W.—American clocks and clockmakers	681 D
duBois, Wm. E. B.—The world and Africa	960 D
Ellsberg, Edward—Under the Red Sea sun	940.545 E
Fairchild, David—The world grows round my door	917.59 F
Fanning, Leonard M.—American oil operations abroad	665.5 F1
Flexner, James T.—First flowers of our wilderness	759.1 F
Forbes, Esther—The Boston book; photographs	917.440 Bos F
Frank, Philipp—Einstein, his life and times	B E354
Frost, Robert—From snow to snow	811 F18
Gassner, John, ed.—Best plays of the modern American theatre	808.82 G
George, Ross F.—Speedball text book, lettering	745.6 G
George, Willis D.—Surreptitious entry	351.74 G
Gesell, Arnold L. and others—The child from five to ten	136.7 G1
Gibson, Katharine—More pictures to grow up with	759 G1
Gould, John—The house that Jacob built	630.1 G3
Gould, Ralph E.—Yankee drummer	818 G12
Graham, Shirley—There was once a slave . . . heroic story of Frederick Douglass	B D734.1

Greenslet, Ferris—The Lowells and their seven worlds	B L9140
Groton, Mass.—Vital records to 1850	929 V
Gunther, John—Inside U. S. A.	917.3 G1
Hall, A. J.—Standard book of textiles	677 H1
Hard, Walter—The Connecticut	974 H
Harpole, James, pseud—Behind the surgeon's mask	610.9 H4
Hayes, Wayland J. and Netboy, A.—The small community looks ahead	323.354 H
Hedrick, Ulysses P.—Fruits for the home garden	634 H
Helmericks, Constance and Harmon—We live in Alaska	917.98 H3
Hersey, John R.—Hiroshima	940.544 H1
Hickok, Eliza M.—The quiz kids	621.384 H1
Holisher, Desider—The house of God	277.3 H
—Pilgrims path, story of Plymouth in words and photographs	917.440 Ply H
Horan, Mrs. Kenenth O.—Mama took up travel	818 H8
Howe, M. A. DeWolfe—Boston landmarks	917.440 Bos H
Howland, Llewellyn—Sou'west and by west of Cape Cod	917.4485 H
Hubbard, Charles D.—An old New England village	917.4 H4
Hume, Edward H.—Doctors east, doctors west	B H921
Humphrey, Zephine—A book of New England	974 H1
James, Marquis—The Metropolitan Life	368.3 J
Jaques, Edna—Aunt Hattie's place	811 J2
—My kitchen window	811 J1
Jastrow, Joseph—Keeping mentally fit	150 J2
Jennings, John—Boston cradle of liberty	974.40 Bo J
Jones, Herbert G.—Isles of Casco Bay in fact and fancy	917.41 J1
Kane Henry B.—Thoreau's Walden; photographs	818 K
Keith, Agnes N.—Three came home	940.5472 K
Kiernan, John, ed.—Information please almanac, 1947	317 K
Landry, Robert J.—This fascinating radio business	621.384 L
Lariar, Lawrence, ed.—Best cartoons of the year	741.5 L
Lawton, George—Aging successfully	179 L
Leighton, Clare V.—Tempestuous petticoat	B L5301
Lewis, Benjamin—Riding	636.1 L
Lieb, Frederick G.—The Boston Red Sox	796.357 L
Lips, Julius E.—The origin of things	390 L
Logan, Milla Z.—Bring along laughter	818 L5
Look Magazine editors and Chase, Mary E. —New England in pictures	917.4 L
Look Magazine editors and Horgan, Paul—The southwest	917.6 L
Lorant, Stefan—The new world; the first pictures of America made by John White and Jacques LeMoyne	973.1 L
Lyons, Agnes C.—Invitation to Boston	917.440 Bos L
Manus, Max—9 lives before thirty	940.54864 M
Marlowe, George F.—Churches of old New England	277.4 M

Marsh, Irving T. and Ehre, Edward—Best sports stories	796 M
Marshall, Katherine T.—Together	B M3684
Marshall, W. T. and Woods, R. S.—Glossary of succulent plant terms	583.47 M
Maus, Cynthia P.—World's great Madonnas	246 M
Munz, Dr. Isak—Maimonides	B M223
Mussey, Barrows—Vermont heritage	974.3 M
Mytinger, Caroline—New Guinea 'headhunt'	919.5 M
Orne, Caroline—A pioneer in New England in 1635	929.2 S1
Peck, Anne M.—Pageant of middle American history	972.8 P
Perry, George S.—Cities of America	917.3 P
Phelps, Alfred E.—Your arthritis, what you can do about it	616.99 P
Popular Science Pub. Co.—How to get the most out of your home workshop	680 P2
Porritt, Edward—Evolution of the Dominion of Canada	971.P3
Porter, Alyene—Papa was a preacher	253 P
Porter, Noah—The New England meeting house	277.4 P
Putnam, George P.—Death Valley and its country	979.48 P
Pyle, Ernest T.—Home country	917.3 P1
Quennell, Marjorie C. and C. H. B.—Every day life in Homeric Greece	913.38 Q1
Reader's Digest—Getting the most out of life	170 R3
Ribble, Margaretha A.—Rights of infants	649.1 R
Rice, Chas. S. and Shenk, J. B.—Meet the Amish	289.7 R
Riley, James W.—Best loved poems and ballads	811 R8
Robbins, Roland W.—Discovery at Walden	B T488.6
Rowse, Alfred L.—A Cornish childhood	B R885
Rutledge, Archibald H.—God's children	326 R
Schweitzer, Albert—Christianity and the religions of the world	290 S1
Scudder, Townsend—Concord: American town	974.40 Co S
Sedgwick, Ellery—The happy profession	B S448
Shoemaker, Myron E.—Fresh water fishing	799.1 S
Smith, Herman—Kitchens near and far	641.5 S1
—Stina, the story of a cook	641.5 S2
Smith, Robert—Baseball	796.357 S
Smith, Robert A.—Divided India	954 S
Spears, Ruth W.—Painting patterns for home decorators	747 S
Spencer, Cornelia—Made in India	915.4 S3
Strain, Frances B.—Teen days	136.73 S
Surmelian, Leon Z.—I ask you, ladies and gentlemen	B S961
Swift, Hildegard H.—North star shining	326 S
Thomas, Chas. S. and Paul, H. G., ed.—Atlantic prose and poetry	808.8 T
Thomas, Mary H.—Mary Thomas's knitting book	746.4 T
Turner, Frederick J.—The frontier in American history	978 T1

Vanderwalker, Fred N.—Drake's cyclopedia of painting and decorating	698.1 V
Wilkinson, Albert E.—Encyclopedia of trees, shrubs, vines and lawns for the home garden	635.9 W
Williams, Henry L. and Ottalie K.—Old American houses and how to restore them	728 W3
Wilson, Arthur E.—Weybosset Bridge in Providence plantations, 1700-1790	974.51 W
Wilson, Charles M.—Empire in green and gold, story of banana trade	338.1 W
Wilson, Helen V.—Geraniums for windows and gardens	635.9332 W
Wilson, Margery—How to make the most of wife	173.3 W
Writers' program W P A—Ghost towns of Colorado	978.8 W
Yates, Haydie—70 miles from a lemon	917.87 Y
Yeoman, R. S.—Guide book of U. S. coins	737 Y
Zacharias, Ellis M.—Secret missions; story of an intelligence officer	940.5485 Z

FICTION

Allis, Marguerite—Water over the dam	A 438.6
Asch, Sholem—East river	A 812.4
Bailey, Henry C.—Houour among thieves	B 155.7
Baldwin, Faith—Sleeping beauty	B 181.11
Barber, Elsie O.—The wall between	B 233.1
Bassett, Sara W.—Head winds	B 319.24
—The wall between	B 319.23
Bates, Herbert E.—The cruise of the Breadwinner	B 330.2
Bennett, Margot—Away went the little fish	B 472.3
Bishop, Curtis—By way of Wyoming	B 622.1
Bond, R. T.—Famous stories of code and cipher	B 711.2
Brace, Gerald W.—The Garretson chronicle	B 796.3
Burt, Katharine N.—Close pursuit	B 973.5
Busch, Niven—Duel in the Sun	B 977.2
Cadell, Elizabeth—Last straw for Harriet	C 122.2
Carleton, Marjorie—The swan sang once	C 280.3
Carroll, Gladys H.—While the angels sing	C 319.8
Chamberlain, Elinor—Manila hemp	C 442.3
Chamberlain, George A.—Scudda-hoo! scudda-hay!	C 443.7
Christie, Agatha—The hollow; a Hercule Poirot mystery	C 555.11
Cody, Al—Bitter Creek	C 671.4
—West of the law	C 671.3
Coles, Manning, pseud.—With intent to deceive	C 694.5
Collins, Norman—Dulcimer Street	C 7125.3
Conway, Brooke—The loving are the daring	C 767.2
Cooper, Kent—Anna Zenger, mother of freedom	C 7773.2

Cooper, Louise F.—Summer stranger	C 7776.2
Corbett, Elizabeth F.—Lady with parasol	C 790.16
Costain, Thomas B.—The moneyman	C 838.5
Croft-Cooke, Rupert—Miss Allick	C 940.2
Davenport, Gwen—Belvedere	D 2471.2
Davies, Valentine—Miracle on 34th street	D 257.1
Davis, Clyde B.—Jeremy Bell	D 261.1
Davis, Eileen—Happiness around her	D 2612.1
Dawson, Peter—High country	D 272.1
Day, Richard—Sumner landmark	D 275.2
De la Roche, Mazo—Whiteoak heritage	D 3395.14
Dickson, Carter, pseud.—Nine—and death makes ten	D 554.3
Eberhart, Mignon G.—Another woman's house	E 165.11
Edmonds, Walter D.—In the hands of the Senecas	E 245.8
—The wedding journey	E 245.9
Enright, Elizabeth—Borrowed summer and other stories	E 603.2
Ertz, Susan—Mary Hallam	E 738.7
Evans, Evan—The border bandit	E 924.2
Fast, Julius—The bright face of danger	F 2512.2
Ferber, Edna—One basket, 31 short stories	F 346.14
Field, Peter—Trail from Needle Rock	F 455.11
Fitt, Mary, pseud.—Death and the pleasant voices	F 547.3
Fletcher, H. L. V.—Miss Agatha doubles for death	F 6128.2
Fletcher, Joseph S.—The ebony box	F 6132.30
Forbes, Kathryn—Transfer point	F 6938.3
Fox, Norman A.—The rider from yonder	F 793.4
Franken, Rose—Claudia and David	F 830.4
Freedman, Benedict and Nancy—Mrs. Mike	F 853.2
Friedlander, Mort.—The yellow leaf	F 911.2
Gardner, Erle S.—Case of the backward mule	G 226.9
Gilligan, Edmund—I name thee Mara	G 481.5
Goertz, Arthémise—Give us our dream	G 597.2
Gooden, Arthur H.—The shadowed trail	G 649.2
Greenwood, Edwin—The deadly dowager	G 816.1
Haines, William W.—Command decision	H 153.4
Halleran, Eugene E.—Double cross trail	H 185.2
Hancock, Lucy A.—Resident nurse	H 235.8
Heberden, M. V.—They can't all be guilty	H 445.2
Heyer, Georgette—The reluctant widow	H 615.7
Hobson, Laura Z.—Gentleman's agreement	H 684.2
Hodgins, Eric—Mr. Blandings builds his dream house	H 690.2
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Respectfully submitted,

May E. Day

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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD

Town Clerk

Charles L. Hildreth Term expires March, 1951

Selectmen

Edward F. Harrington, Secretary Term expires March, 1949

Cyril A. Blaney, Chairman Term expires March, 1950

Thomas W. Gower Term expires March, 1951

Assessors

John J. O'Connell, Secretary Term expires March, 1949

Victor B. Daly, Chairman Term expires March, 1950

Carroll J. Rollins Term expires March, 1951

Board of Public Welfare

Reginald Blowey, Chairman Term expires March, 1949

William L. Wall, Secretary Term expires March, 1950

Samuel A. Richards Term expires March, 1951

Treasurer

Charlotte P. Greig Term expires March, 1950

Collector of Taxes

David I. Olsson Term expires March, 1950

Moderator

Ben W. Drew Term expires March, 1951

Constable

John F. Sullivan Term expires March, 1949

School Committee

Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman Term expires March, 1949

Edgar S. Peterson Term expires March, 1949

F. Stanley Smith, Secretary Term expires March, 1950

James L. Knowlton Term expires March, 1950

H. Arnold Wilder Term expires March, 1951

Clifford J. Courchaine Term expires March, 1951

Trustees of J. V. Fletcher Library

William C. Roudenbush, Chairman Term expires March, 1949

Alice M. Howard, Secretary Term expires March, 1950

William R. Taylor Term expires March, 1951

Librarian

May E. Day

Board of Cemetery Commissioners

Axel G. Lundberg Term expires March, 1949
Sebastian B. Watson, Chairman Term expires March, 1950
Fred R. Blodgett, Secretary Term expires March, 1951

Board of Health

Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Chairman Term expires March, 1949
Ralph E. Cole, M. D. Term expires March, 1950
Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Secretary Term expires March, 1951

Agents of Board of Health

Albert A. Hildreth, Agent

Dorothy A. Healy, R. N., Agent, Public Health Nurse and Collector of
Samples, Milk Inspector

Charles L. Hildreth, Agent to issue Burial Permits

Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Inspector of Dairies

Charles A. Blodgett, Inspector of Slaughtering and Animals

Tree Warden and Superintendent of Moth Department

Harry L. Nesmith

Resigned both offices February 10, 1948; was re-elected Tree
Warden March 1, and died March 31, 1948.

Tree Warden

W. Kenneth Wright, appointed by Selectmen, April 6, 1948

Superintendent of Moth Department

Leo R. Larkin, appointed by Selectmen, March 9, 1948, and
resigned April 6

W. Kenneth Wright, appointed by Selectmen, April 6, 1948 and
resigned May 5

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick, appointed by Selectmen, May 18, 1948

Director of Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics

Mabel M. Nixon

Finance Committee

W. Otis Day Term expires March, 1949
Everett A. Scott Term expires March, 1949
E. Kent Allen, Chairman Term expires March, 1950
Herford N. Elliott **Term expires March, 1950**
Albert G. Forty, Secretary Term expires March, 1951
Allister F. MacDougall Term expires March, 1951

Committee in Charge of Whitney Playground

John Fisher

Morris A. Hall

Charles L. Hildreth

Special Town Forest Committee

William E. Wright Term expires March, 1949

Edwin H. Gould Term expires March, 1950

Fred R. Blodgett Term expires March, 1951

Registrars of Voters

Norman E. Day Term expires March 31, 1949

Paul L. Dunigan Term expires March 31, 1950

James J. McKniff Term expires March 31, 1951

Charles L. Hildreth, Clerk Ex-Officio

Precinct Officers

Precinct 1.—Warden, Albert A. Hildreth (R); Deputy Warden, Fisher Buckshorn (R); Clerk, Edward T. Sullivan (D); Deputy Clerk, Robert J. Spinner (D); Inspectors, T. Arthur E. Wilson (R); Morris A. Hall (R); Leo C. McDonald (D); J. Herbert Fletcher (D); Deputy Inspectors, H. Arnold Wilder (R); Howard H. Ferguson (R); James Basinas (D); Louis F. Oliver (D).

Precinct 2.—Warden, John E. Connolly (D); Deputy Warden, Clifford G. Carpentier (D); Clerk, Alfred T. W. Prinn (R); Deputy Clerk, William L. Wall (R); Inspectors, Charles A. Blodgett (R); Roy E. Blanchard (R); Richard H. Healy (D); John W. Spinner (D); Deputy Inspectors, Walter N. Fletcher (R); Howard V. Anderson (R); Raymond A. Wall (D); James H. Payne (D).

Precinct 3.—Warden, Nicholas V. Basinas (D); Deputy Warden, Edward L. Dailey (D); Clerk, Harlan E. Knowlton (R); Deputy Clerk, William W. Gilson (R); Inspectors, Swan G. Swanson (R); Julia E. Knowlton (R); Eileen R. McGlinchey (D); Edna M. Maguire (D); Deputy Inspectors, Umberto P. Colarusso (R); Alice E. Whitcomb (R); John A. Eliason (D); Ruth A. Sundberg (D).

Precinct 4.—Warden, Leo J. Connell (D); Deputy Warden, Leo P. Connolly (D); Clerk, Robert J. Orr (R); Deputy Clerk, Leslie N. Athorn (R); Inspectors, James Kelly, Jr. (D); George F. Jones (D); Reginald Blowey (R); Philip Lord (R); Deputy Inspectors, Richard Lyons (D); Albert F. Hobson (D); Arthur T. Greenslade (R); Albert E. Mountain (R).

Note—(R) Republican; (D) Democrat.

Chief of Police

John F. Sullivan

Regular Police Officer

John L. Connell

Dog Officers

John F. Sullivan

John L. Connell

Special Police Officers

Arthur A. Abbood

John J. Barretto

Gregory G. Beskalo, Jr.

Charles A. Blodgett

Reginald Blowey

Elmer P. Brown

Lawrence J. Charlton

Leo J. Connell

John E. Connolly

Thomas Curley

Arthur F. Daly

Arthur J. Deforge

Theodore J. Doucette

Charles Flanagan

William C. Furbush

John H. Gantzel

Wilfred Gelinas

Winslow P. George

George S. Gervais

Donald H. Hall

Richard W. Hall

J. Austin Healy

Donald Holt

William B. Horton

Ralph J. Hulslander

George F. Jones

Lester J. Liddle

Thomas McGrath

Everett E. Miller

John J. O'Connell

Louis F. Oliver

Robert J. Orr

Edmund F. Pendlebury

W. Arthur Perrins

Hubert V. Raymond

Uldege Ricard

Edmund D. Rogers

Winthrop W. Sargent

Robert J. Spinner

Edward J. St. Onge

Edward T. Sullivan

William L. Wall

Frank A. Wright

Harold E. Wright

Police Woman

Dorothy A. Healy, R. N.

Superintendent of Streets

J. Austin Healy

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Albert A. Hildreth

Inspector of Animals

Charles A. Blodgett

Inspector of Buildings

Edmund D. Rogers

Forest Warden

Leo R. Larkin

Deputies Appointed by the Forest Warden

Reginald Blowey

Edmund D. Rogers

Thomas Curley

Robert J. Spinner

Richard W. Hall

Harold E. Wright

Hubert V. Raymond

Engineers of the Fire Department

Richard W. Hall, Clerk

Edmund D. Rogers, Chief

Harold E. Wright, Assistant Chief

Town Accountant and Clerk of Board of Selectmen

Genevieve A. Healy

Soldiers' Relief Agent

Genevieve A. Healy

Director of Veterans' Services

Arthur A. Abbood

Agent for Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors

Arthur T. Greenslade

Superintendent of Westford Infirmary

Leo J. Connell

Keeper of the Lockup

Leo J. Connell

Town Fish and Game Warden

Edmund L. Provost

Janitor of Town House

Edward T. Sullivan

Janitor of Library Building

Carroll J. Rollins

Caretaker of Common

George E. St. Onge

Town Counsel

Edward L. Monahan

Fence Viewers

Charles A. Blodgett

Edwin H. Gould

Marden H. Seavey

Field Drivers

George H. Burke

Francis Daly

William A. Perrins, III

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Charles A. Blodgett

Isaac L. Hall

Fred W. Burnham

J. Austin Healy

Charles Freeman

Edmund L. Provost

Edwin H. Gould

Weighers of General Commodities

John J. Buchanan

James L. Healy

Arthur L. Healy

John Shea, Jr.

J. Austin Healy

Harold W. Stewart

J. Austin Healy, Jr.

Weighers of Textile Commodities

Arthur J. Barker

Mary P. Lord

Willard W. Beebe

Paul T. McCarthy

Anthony R. Bohenko

Helena A. McKniff

Albert J. Burne

Edward F. McLenna

Edwin L. Burne

Irene J. Menard

Annie H. Daly

Rameo Milot

Victor B. Daly

Ellen A. Oldham

Grace E. DeCarteret

Robert J. Orr, Jr.

William G. Donnolly

William E. Robinson

Frederick H. Ellison

Winthrop W. Sargent

Frank Gagnon

George Sedach

Eleanor M. Haley

John W. Shackleton

George M. Haley

Roy S. Smith

Helen R. Hartley

Irene Szylvian

James J. Hobson

Lillian Walsh

Clifford Jones

Stanley J. Zarnowski

Weigher of Granite

Lawrence Gagnon

Assistant Town Clerk

Alice A. Hildreth

NOTE—The law requires that certain officers, including Measurers and Weighers, in order to qualify as such officers, be sworn in, and a record of their oath be filed with the Town Clerk.

BIRTHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford—1948

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Nov. 16	Alcorn, George Medley	Frederic H. and Maude B. (Dysart)
May 12	Athorn, Philip Carl	Leslie N. and Leslie G. (Sherman)
April 13	Autino, Allan Richard	Mario J. and Doris M. (Milot)
Nov. 2	Baker, Charlotte	Frederick O. and Margaret (Kiernan)
June 23	Beebe, Willard Walter, Jr.	Willard W. and Dolores V. (Milot)
Feb. 10	Beskal, Nancy Elizabeth	Stephen G. and Mary (Minko)
March 22	Beskal, Patricia Ann	Gregory G., Jr. and Hazel (Gitschier)
Feb. 20	Bettencourt, Kenneth Joseph	John A. and Loretta E. (Chamberlain)
March 17	Bohenko, Patrick William	Anthony R. and Rita M. (Gevry)
April 23	Bouchard, Betty Jane	Joseph T. and Eva (Boucher)
Sept. 27	Britt, Carol Lee	Jarrett L. and Barbara R. (Sleeper)
March 11	Cabral, Manuel Vincent	Manuel V. and Margaret G. (Young)
Sept. 6	Chambers, Stephen Scribner	Edward F. and Mary L. (Scribner)
April 30	Connell, Janice Carolyn	Philip R. and Josephine M. (Lewkowicz)
June 23	Corkery, James Joseph III	James J. and Marie S. Kaucikas
Aug. 9	Cote, Denise Pamela	William and Stasia P. (Filistowicz)
Dec. 31	Creed, Paul Robert	Roland H. and Mary E. (Robart)
April 22	Dane, Kathleen Louise	Walter F. and Ana E. (Nebes)
March 22	Dawson, Elaine Frances	Francis J. and Anne E. (Remis)
Sept. 15	Decato, Herbert Clayton, Jr.	Herbert C. and Berle G. (Litchfield)
Feb. 12	Dube, Joseph Rosario	Joseph R. and Margaret C. (Savoie)
Dec. 11	Dubey, Claudia Darlene	William J. and Jean A. (Dellana)
Nov. 19	Fitzner, Bryan Arthur	Robert A. and Grace M. (Green)
Feb. 19	Flack, Robert Frank	James M. and Bertha E. (Eisenmenger)
Oct. 16	Flanagan, Della Louise	Charles W. and Doris (Langlois)
Aug. 17	Fletcher, Priscilla Jean	Austin D. and Muriel E. (Johnson)
May 9	Fogden, Gerard Leslie	Kenneth L. and Mary (Southam)
April 20	Forsyth, Patricia Ann	Gerald F. and Marie D. (Aucoin)
Dec. 17	Foster, John Alan	Kenneth G. and Lena M. (Pizza)
April 11	Gaebler, David Bryson	Max D. and Carolyn B. (Farr)
Feb. 21	Gagnon, David Joseph	Alfred J., Jr. and Gladys R. (Pellerin)
Jan. 13	Gelinas, George Edward	Gerard J. and Irene E. (Boisvert)
Jan. 9	Grenier, David Edward	Armand J. and Jane P. (Fitzpatrick)
Oct. 10	Hall, Geoffrey Dana	Albert L. and Doris A. (Pray)
June 21	Healy, Bethel Louise	J. Austin, Jr. and Louise (Smith)
April 30	Healy, Kathleen Margaret	Richard K. and Margaret T. (O'Toole)
May 22	Hodson, Betty Jo	Robert E. and Mae E. (McMahon)
July 1	Holmes, Pauline Ann	John and Mary R. (Lacombe)
May 22	Hunt, Robert Andrew	William and Alice (Ballou)

Date of Birth		NAME	PARENTS
Aug.	3	Isabelle, Paul Gerald	Aime A. and Jeanne D. (Drolet)
July	12	Jelley, David Raymond	Harold P. and Rita J. (Nadolny)
Feb.	13	Jones, Robert Thomas	Robert A. and Ernestine (Poulin)
Sept.	29	Lamb, Thomas James	James E. and Claire (Bousquet)
Jan.	23	Lavigne, Laura Ann	Frank J. and Ida M. (Gagnon)
Feb.	9	Leedberg, Margaret Kay	Waldo S. and Margaret K. (Hogan)
Oct.	19	Legree, Janice Mary	William J. and Jacqueline M. (Cote)
June	20	Lemire, Richard Jean	Joseph E. and Rose A. (Gagnon)
July	22	Levasseur, Elaine Edna	Joseph and Edna C. (Bouregard)
Oct.	21	Malloy, Pamela Anne	Raymond C. and M. T. Constance (Lemire)
Jan.	7	Mann, Curtis John	Clarence W. and Dulcie (White)
Aug.	22	Marshall, David Richard	Robert G. and Edith (Nelson)
Jan.	15	McDonald, Leslie Jean	Paul L. and Barbara (Blackadar)
June	10	Menard, Priscilla Irene Mary	Raoul J. and Therese (Bedard)
Nov.	22	Millette, Raymond	Raymond A. and Irene A. (Hedlund)
Aug.	19	Moore, Dennis Joseph	Charles E. and Theresa (Bellemare)
Sept.	24	Mortimer, John Charles	William B. and Margaret B. (Black)
March	1	Morton, Timothy Wayne	Walter F., Jr. and Jean L. (Hosmer)
Sept.	24	Mullin, Kathryn Ann	William M. and Mary L. (Duffy)
Aug.	18	Neal, Priscilla Edith	Donald E. and Eleanor S. (White)
Oct.	25	Newton, Doris Ruth	Robert and Ruth I (Taylor)
Feb.	13	O'Clair, Donna Lee	Donald E. and Edna V. (Dugdale)
Oct.	30	Oliver, Gail Pauline	James J. and Pauline L. (Mercier)
Aug.	7	Palmer, Elizabeth Jane	Warren R. and Beatrice (Kristoff)
Feb.	28	Perrins, Carol	William A. III and Renee M. (Fellner)
Feb.	28	Perrins, Suzanne	William A. III and Rene M. (Fellner)
March	10	Pierce, Steven Arthur	Laurence C. and Marjorie R. (Bumps)
Oct.	8	Pomerleau, Thomas William	Arthur J. and Dorothy (Gagnon)
Dec.	13	Rogan, Timothy	John E. and Ellen (Mullin)
May	24	Rennie, Neil Edwin	John A. and Marguerite R. (Sowers)
July	31	Sedach, Kathryn	John and Mary (Carey)
April	12	Shanahan, Kevin Dennis	Walter F. and Mary C. (LeDuc)
July	29	Sienkiewicz, Kathryn Barbara	Chester J. and Eileen M. (Elmer)
March	15	Smith, Jane Elizabeth	Robert J. and Ruth E. (Davenport)
Dec.	27	Soubosky, Pamela Ann	Robert L. and Lorraine R. (Milot)
June	4	Sproul, Claudia Lou	Samuel M. and Myrtle P. (Whitney)
March	13	St. Gelais, Edward John	Rene L. and Marjorie A. (Hall)
July	11	Stirk, Susan Elaine	Norman C. and Joyce R. (Hanson)
Aug.	17	St. Onge, Paulette Denise	George E. and Jeanne E. (Fortier)
March	31	Targ, Jane Julia	Theodore J. and Julia J. (Wilk)
Jan.	16	Taylor, DeWitt Ernest	Clayton T. and Hilda N. (Roscoe)

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Nov. 9	Therrien, Normand Ernest	Raoul R. and Gabrielle (Lasalle)
Jan. 20	Therrien, Rose Ann	Leo E. and Beatrice C. (Lamy)
Jan. 9	Tousignant, Deborah Ann	Leo D. and Teresa A. (Mallozzi)
April 18	Valcourt, Jane Marie	Eugene J. and Adrienne (Gervais)
Dec. 18	Valcourt, Raymond Joseph	Joseph R. and Theresa (Lambert)
Oct. 25	Vaughn, Brian Lewis	Wilbert L. and Enid F. (Tucker)
July 27	Vickers, Barbara Scott	Joseph E. and Mary E. (Yates)
Nov. 15	Wheeler, David Michael	James A. and Mary J. (Walsh)
June 15	Wilmot, Sandra Lee	Willard C. and Caroline H. (Dickey)
Feb. 13	Wright, Paul Harry	Walter A. and Helen C. (Cook)
May 8	Wyman, Barbara June	Horace F. and Iona B. (Farrow)
Feb. 8	Wyman, Linda Jane	Shirley C. and Esther L. (Stephens)
May 8	Wyman, Viola Irene	Horace F. and Iona B. (Farrow)
Males 46; Females 49; Total number recorded 95.		

MARRIAGES

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford—1948

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Oct. 12	Barretto, Francis Roosevelt	28	Westford	Westford
	Fuoroli, Gloria Marguerite	25	Lawrence	Lawrence
Nov. 21	Bell, Leslie Gardner	26	Westford	Westford
	White, Charlotte Blanche	18	Westford	Waltham
Nov. 7	Bennett, Vincent Byron	23	Somerville	Somerville
	Gervais, Lucille Marie	20	Westford	Westford
Mar. 27	Caldwell, Lewis Gillespie, Jr.	22	Acton	Concord
	Wright, Joan	18	Westford	Cambridge
Dec. 19	Caron, Raymond Joseph	29	Westford	Lowell
	Dubois, Beatrice Vera	27	Lowell	Lowell
June 26	Chambliss, Henry Burton	31	Triplet, Va.	Triplet, Va.
	Peterson, Jean Elinore	23	Westford	Lynn
Nov. 19	Condon, Michael	24	Lawrence	Lawrence
	St. Jean, Josephine M. (Thifault)	28	Lowell	Lowell
July 31	Connell, Robert	23	Westford	Westford
	Smith, Marjorie Anne	20	Westford	Lowell
Jan. 17	Cross, Robert James	21	Chelmsford	Greenfield
	Moreno, Frances Louise	22	Westford	Westford
Jan. 31	Cullinan, Robert Francis	19	Lowell	Lowell
	Lahme, Margaret Virginia	19	Westford	Westford
May 19	DeWolfe, Clifford John	24	Westford	Newton
	Mann, Marilyn Janet	21	Allston	Brighton
Nov. 27	DeWolfe, James Alfred	21	Westford	Newton
	Abreu, Anne Lydia	18	Westford	Lowell
Jan. 17	Dubey, Walter Herman	33	Westford	New Brunswick, Can.
	Mercier, Phyllis Mary	17	Lowell	Manchester, N. H.
May 3	Duerr, Robert Harold	27	Rochester, N. Y.	Rochester, N. Y.
	Gleason, Helen Alice	22	Sea Breeze, N.Y.	Irondequoit, N.Y.
Oct. 16	Elliott, Lawrence Clifford	30	Hudson, N. H.	Hancock, N. H.
	Canton, Shirley Agnes	21	Westford	Westford
Aug. 20	Emerson, Theodore Waldo	46	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Winning, Dorothy (Baldus) Andersen	32	Westford	Somerville
Aug. 7	Farley, Thomas Brendon	26	Lowell	Lowell
	Scott, Beatrice	25	Westford	Dorchester

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Nov. 7	Farrell, Edward Henry Stephen	29	Wilmington	Somerville
	Kovalchek, Sophie	23	Westford	Chelmsford
May 16	Fitzpatrick, John Francis	24	Westford	Westford
	Brickett, Barbara Grace	18	Lowell	Lowell
June 19	Fleming, Francis	31	Lowell	Lowell
	Cantin, Marie Rita Rose	28	Westford	Westford
Apr. 18	Fletcher, Austin Dana, Jr.	23	Westford	Westford
	Johnson, Muriel Evelyn	22	Westford	Westford
May 1	Freneau, John Wilfred, Jr.	26	Chelmsford	Lowell
	Kelly, Monica Ellen	23	Westford	Lowell
June 5	Galusha, Dexter deWitt	21	Cheshire	Boston
	Sechovich, Nina	24	Westford	Westford
Oct. 17	Gerace, Jerome	27	Westford	Dasa, Italy
	Mangano, Alfia Mary	24	Lawrence	Giarre, Sicily, Italy
Aug. 7	Hanson, Rene Martin	23	Westford	Westford
	Cote, Marie Vivian	21	Westford	Westford
July 10	Hanson, Richard Erwin	27	Westford	Westford
	Petterson, Hilda Bertha (Blanchard)	26	Westford	Lowell
Oct. 30	Harper, Wesley Matthew	23	Chelmsford	Westford
	Delaney, Catherine Marie	22	Westford	Lowell
June 5	Harrigan, John Bernard	22	Westford	Westford
	Regan, Helen Mary	18	Lowell	Lowell
Apr. 17	Hartley, Daniel Joseph	22	Westford	Westford
	Hedlund, Shirley Ruth	19	Westford	Lowell
Nov. 10	Healy, Arthur Leonard	48	Westford	Westford
	Furbush, Kathlyn (Ward)	59	Westford	Groton
Apr. 23	Heighes, Lenwood George	25	Palmer, Mich.	Palmer, Mich.
	Marshall, Jamenica	27	Westford	Methuen
Apr. 9	Hepburn, Robert Currier	22	Westford	Miami, Florida
	Hotaling, Shirley Mae	17	Westford	Albany, N. Y.
Dec. 4	Hodgdon, Ivan Murdock	23	Tyngsboro	Sebago Lake, Maine
	Moran, Helen Theresa	21	Westford	Lowell
June 6	Hughes, Thomas Alfred	23	Westford	Westford
	Harnden, Phyllis Eileen	21	Wilmington	Cambridge

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
July 10	Jalbert, Victor	43	Westford	St. Edwidge, Canada
	Cantara, Yvonne (Labrecque) Bedard	47	Westford	Lowell
Mar. 22	Jelley, Harold Philip	27	Westford	Lowell
	Nadolny, Rita Josephine Ann	19	Westford	Lowell
July 10	Johnstone, Thomas, Jr.	24	Westford	Westford
	Lewkowiez Jennie Ann	24	Westford	Westford
Dec. 25	Lamy, Arthur Robert	22	Westford	Westford
	Boisvert, Jeannette Marie	18	Westford	Bristol, Conn.
Aug. 12	Lowney, Edmund Paul, Jr.	24	Maynard	Marlboro
	Anderson, Edith Mae	20	Westford	Amherst, N. H.
May 30	Lund, Ernest Walter	27	Littleton	Littleton
	Lawhorn, Bertha Amelia	21	Westford	Boston
June 26	MacQuarrie, Chester Edward	22	Westford	Westford
	Gosselin, Dorothy Beatrice	16	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
Apr. 10	Magee, Francis William	27	Westford	Milford
	McKniff, Mary Rita	24	Westford	Westford
Sept. 21	Mangan, John Hill	31	Westford	Lowell
	Palardy, Evelyn Louise (LaVoie)	35	Lowell	Lowell
June 26	McKniff, John Thomas, Jr.	25	Westford	Westford
	McNiff, Mary Margaret	22	Lowell	Lowell
Apr. 24	McMurray, James	64	Westford	Belfast, Ireland
	Orr, Annie Lillian	50	Groton	Westford
Apr. 18	Morgan, Robert Irving	22	Westford	Dunstable
	Doran, Barbara Elaine	21	Dunstable	Salem
Aug. 28	Mulligan, Francis Joseph	22	Westford	Westford
	Fitzpatrick, Marion Ethel	21	Westford	Westford
Aug. 22	Nadolny, Emil Joseph	25	Westford	Dracut
	Giles, Mildred Sarah	19	Woburn	Boston
July 3	Nowell, Richard Carlton	22	Westford	Gardner, Maine
	Flannery, Kathryn Elizabeth	22	Boston	Jamaica Plain
July 3	Nowers, Francis Lawrence, Jr.	22	Westford	Boston
	Sunderland, Rose Marie	20	Lowell	Lowell

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Sept. 21	Perkins, Robert Bliss	21	Westford	Westford
	Taylor, Edith Estelle	18	Ayer	Littleton
May 5	Peterson, Axel William	65	Westford	Usterland, Sweden
	Crandall, Bertha Elizabeth (Crandall)	50	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
Jan. 10	Petullo, Joseph	26	Lowell	Lowell
	Rioux, Lorraine Adeline	25	Westford	Westford
Feb. 22	Rakip, Kenneth Warren	23	Ayer	Lowell
	Brule, Helen Marie	20	Westford	Westford
Sept. 18	Ritter, Bernard Joseph	34	Northampton	Northampton
	Sienkewicz, Jennie Irene	26	Westford	Westford
July 11	Rivetts, Ralph	25	Littleton	Littleton
	Rancour, Mary Elizabeth	20	Westford	Lowell
Oct. 31	Robinson, Donald Frederick	21	Westford	Lowell
	Peabody, Constance Mabel	19	Dracut	Lowell
June 26	Robinson, Peter Barrett	26	Detroit, Mich.	Brooklyn, N. Y.
	Fletcher, Cynthia	23	Westford	Cambridge
Jan. 30	Shawcross, Lee Royal	22	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Smith, Ethel Marion	18	Westford	Westford
Nov. 3	Stanium, Walter Michael	32	Nashua, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
	Vosotas, Effie (Blateos)	29	Nashua, N. H.	Manchester, N. H.
Nov. 6	Supple, Leo Francis	34	Westford	Pepperell
	Welander, Marie Elizabeth	36	Lynn	Lynn
June 19	Sykes, John Thomas	24	Haverhill	Haverhill
	McKniff, Margaret Anne	23	Westford	Westford
July 18	Welch, Joseph John	36	Lowell	Lowell
	Connell, Doris Rita	24	Westford	Littleton
Dec. 3	Williamson, Oscar	36	Westford	Hersin, Coupegne, France
	Flieger, Verna Lillian	32	Dedham	Dedham
June 12	Woodward, Russell Emill	21	Lowell	Derry, N. H.
	LeFebre, Jean Gabrielle	18	Westford	Westford
June 26	Young, George Robert	21	Westford	Lowell
	Edgar, Betty Anne	19	Westford	Framingham

Total Number Recorded: 66.

DEATHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford—1948

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE		
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Sept. 18	Bechard, Henry—husband of Jennie (Lemieux)	49	6	23
Apr. 18	Cantin, Mary (St. Cyr)—widow of Ulderie	77	10	27
Oct. 28	Comey, Susannah (Mellor)—widow of Arthur Herbert	77	10	14
Feb. 1	Conley, Catherine J.	91	8	—
Sept. 9	Cowles, Jean Bernadette (Dumont)—wife of Dwight W.	35	7	28
Nov. 19	Daly, Paul Francis	3	1	24
Nov. 25	Davies, Maria (Cavanagh)—wife of John	73	4	14
May 3	Dureault Esther (Drouillard)—wife of Aime	72	10	3
Sept. 17	Gould, Horace Emery—widower of Flora J. (Blodgett)	87	8	18
Mar. 15	Green, George Edgar	83	8	4
Apr. 21	Haley, Maud (Hildreth)—wife of Frank L.	80	—	8
Apr. 12	Harris, Ida F. (Jackson)—widow of H. Emmons	83	—	9
Aug. 23	Healy, Bridget E. (McKeown—widow of William H.	80	10	11
June 13	Jordan, Benjamin—husband of Alberta (Spaulding)	88	8	3
Aug. 11	Lessard, Gedeon—widower of Leonida (Lacroix)	76	2	—
Aug. 4	Levasseur, Edna C. (Beauregard)—wife of Joseph	34	10	13
Sept. 14	Longden, Henry Winfred—widower of Alice P. (Atwood)	72	4	4
June 11	Lord, Philip David—husband of Mary (Kelly)	54	1	4
July 6	McDonnell, John—husband of Annie (Holmes)	35	5	6
Nov. 7	McGlinchey, Susan M.	78	—	—
Feb. 8	Miller, Arthur E.—husband of Agnes A. (Cannell)	80	4	19
Oct. 4	Munroe, Harriet Greenough (Tufts)— wife of Albert H.	76	10	29

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE		
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Mar. 31	Nesmith, Harry Linwood—widower of Harriet (McLeod)	84	—	10
May 7	Paduch Anna (Ambrozewicz)—widow of John	66	—	—
Jan. 30	Pelletier Mary (Morency)—widow of Joseph	85	1	11
Jan. 25	Picking, Richard—widower of Ollie (Shepard)	78	10	6
Aug. 23	Prescott, George Albert	65	7	1
Oct. 16	St. Onge, Jeanne Louise	2	1	19
May 24	Sutherland Alonzo Hugh—widower of Martha (Cass)	78	8	23
Nov. 5	Talancy, Michael—widower of Annie (Halko)	50	—	24
June 21	Wilmot	—	—	6
Mar. 19	Wright, Frank Austin—widower of Mabel (Miller)	66	10	8
Sept. 2	Wyman, David L.—husband of Carolyn (Parison)	38	1	15
Jan. 10	Young, Gertrude M. (Croutchey)—widow of William E.	78	5	16
		Male	Female	Total
Total Number Recorded		18	18	36
Deaths in Westford		10	10	20
Residents of Westford		17	18	35

NOTE

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the foregoing reports of births, marriages and deaths and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be discerned therein, so that the records may be corrected. An error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition under oath made by one who is required by law, to furnish the information for the original record or by one or more creditable persons having knowledge of the case.
(See General Laws, Chapter 46, Section 13 as amended.)

Births occurring late in the year are sometimes returned without the Christian name. In such cases parents should return the name to the Town Clerk as soon as selected, as incompleteness of the record may occasion trouble in the future.

Attention is particularly called to the following extracts from the General Laws:

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46

Section 1. Each city and town clerk shall receive or obtain and record * * * facts relative to the births * * * in his city or town.

Section 3. Every physician or medical officer registered shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge and * * * shall, within fifteen days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report * * * if the child is illegitimate, the name and other facts relating to the father shall not be stated except at the request in writing of both father and mother filed * * * Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported * * * A physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars * * *

Section 4. A member or servant of a family in which a child is born, having knowledge of the facts required * * * shall furnish the same upon request of the clerk of the town * * * or of any person authorized by him. (Penalty for refusing, not more than ten dollars.)

Section 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder within forty days after a birth in his house shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such a child is born.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 207

Section 36. If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth, who return to dwell here, they shall within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the town where either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage including the facts required in a notice of intention of marriage.

Section 55. Whoever violates Section 36 shall forfeit ten dollars.

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish, parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital medical officers applying therefor, with blanks for return of births as required by law.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT ON DOGS

Number of Dog Licenses issued from January 1, 1948 thru December 31, 1948:

261 Males at \$2.00	\$522.00
55 Females at \$5.00	275.00
99 Spayed Females at \$2.00	198.00
8 Kennel at \$10.00	80.00
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423 Total	\$1,075.00
Clerk's fees at 20 cents on 423 Licenses	\$ 84.60
Paid to Town as per Treasurer's Receipts	990.40
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	\$1,075.00

The attention of owners and keepers of dogs is called to the following extracts from Chapter 140 of the General Laws as amended:

Definition: "License period," the time between April first and the following March thirty-first, both dates inclusive.

Section 137. A person who at the commencement of a license period is, or who during any license period becomes, the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old during a license period, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed until the end of such license period, and the owner or keeper of a dog so registered, numbered, described and licensed during any license period, in order to own or keep such dog after the beginning of the succeeding license period, shall, before the beginning thereof, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for such period. —The registering, numbering, describing and licensing of a dog—shall be—if kept in any—town in the office of the clerk thereof.

The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished,—by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the condition expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost

the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk—at a cost of ten cents which, if received by a town clerk, shall be retained by him unless otherwise provided by law.

Section 139. Fees for licenses. The fee for every license shall, except as otherwise provided, be two dollars for a male dog and five dollars for a female dog, unless a certificate of a registered veterinarian who performed the operation that said female dog has been spayed and has thereby been deprived of the power of propagation has been filed with the town clerk, in which case the fee shall be two dollars. A certified copy of such certificate on file in the office of any town clerk within the Commonwealth may be accepted as evidence that the said operation has been performed.—

DOG LICENSES ISSUED THRU DECEMBER 31, 1948

Abbood, Arthur A. (m)	Bubeshko, Alexander (m)
Abbot, Edward M. (2m lf)	Budge, William K, (2s)
Abbot, Natalie B. (m)	Bunker, Louis F. (f)
Abbott, Jessie (s)	Burke, George H. (m)
Abrahamson, Robert M. (m)	Burne, Albert J. (m)
Abreu, Anthony (m)	Burnham, David A. (f)
Anderson, Gustave L. (m)	Butko, George (m)
Anderson, Harold C. (m)	Byron, Edward J. (m)
Anderson, Howard V. (m)	Caless, Chester A. (s)
Armstrong, Robert L. (m)	Cantin, Alexander (m)
Atwood, A. May (s)	Carlsen, John (s)
Atwood, Florence E. (2m)	Carmichael, Charlotte (2f)
Basinas, James V. (m)	Carter, W. Wallace (s)
Basinas, Vasilios (f)	Chace, Helen S. (f)
Baxendale, George E. (m)	Chandonait, Alphonse A. (m)
Bechard, Jennie (m)	Chandonait, Francis H. (s)
Beebe, Alma L. (m)	Chandonait, George J. (f)
Belida, Sonia (m)	Charette, Andrew J. (m)
Bell, Muriel D. (s)	Charlton, Elizabeth B. (m)
Bell, Robert H. (m)	Charlton, Joyce & Juanita (m)
Benkoski, Florence (s)	Chisholm, Walter E. (1m lf)
Blanchard, Roy E. (1m ls)	Clements, Edna Kittredge (s)
Blodgett, Charles A. & Fred R. (f)	Clough, Kenneth W. (m)
Blott, Leonard F. (s)	Cobb, Henry H. (s)
Boisvert, Lionel J. (m)	Cobb, Wallace A. (m)
Boisvert, Ronald J. (s)	Colarusso, Umberto P. (m)
Bolger, David E. (m)	Cole, Ralph E. (s)
Bouchard, Joseph T. (m)	Comey, Susannah (m)
Brittain, Josephine T. (f)	Condon, Garrett J. (1m lf ls)
Brule, Josephat (lf ls)	Connell, Clarence R. (s)

Connell, Frances C. (m)	Elliott, James M. (m)
Connell, Frederick (s)	Elliott, Priscilla B. (2m)
Connell, John L. (m)	Ellison, Frederick J. H. (s)
Connell, Leo J. (m)	Fallon, Owen P. (m)
Connell, Robert (m)	Farwell, Lawrence W. (m)
Conrad, John T. (m)	Fenton, Robert C. (m)
Cote, Constance C. (m)	Field, Elizabeth B. (m)
Cote, Paul A. (m)	Field, Marjorie M. (s)
Coupal, Napoleon Sr. (s)	Finnila, Ida E. (2m)
Courchaine, Joanne (m)	Fisher, Frances B. (m)
Crickett, Joseph P. (m)	Flanagan, John F. (m)
Daly, Francis E. (m)	Fletcher, E. Kennard (s)
Davis, Lawrence S. (m)	Fletcher, Priscilla K. (m)
Day, Avis E. (m)	Fletcher, Walter W. (f)
Deforge, Arthur J. (m)	Forsyth, Gerald F. (m)
DeGagne, Samuel J. (m)	Foster, Kenneth G. (m)
DeLaHaye, Edmund J. (s)	Fox, Kenneth R. (m)
DeLaHaye, Kenneth E. (m)	Fritz, Otto A. (m)
Delpapa, Domenic (f)	Frost, Ralph E. (s)
Denisevich, Joseph (s)	Gagnon, John F. (m)
Denisevich, Zachary (s)	Gagnon, Lillian M. (m)
Desmond, David L. (m)	Gamage, Henry C. (m)
DeWolfe, Harold G. (m)	Gantzel, John H. (f)
Dicomes, Harry J. (m)	Gardel, Fortuna (2m)
DiDonato, Anthony R. (m)	Gatenby, Frederick W..(s)
Dixon, Winifred A. (s)	Gelinas, Hervey J. (s)
Donnelly, Harry G. (m)	Galinas, Wilfred (m)
Doucette, Theodore J. (s)	Gibbons, James W. (m)
Doucette, Victor G. (m)	Goodwin, Dorrance H. (m)
Drew, Ben W. (s)	Gower, Robert F. (m)
Dubey, Dora M. (m)	Graves, Herbert O. (s)
Dubey, Frank T. (m)	Greenough, Caroline G. (m)
Dubey, George F. (m)	Greenslade, Arthur T., Jr. (m)
Dubey, Joseph T. (m)	Greenwood, Wilfred C. (1m 1s)
Dubey, Peter A. (s)	Guillemette, Albert J. (m)
Dubey, Peter E. (m)	Guolla, Victoria A. (s)
Dubey, Robert J. (m)	Gustafson, William F. (s)
Dubinski, Joseph P. (m)	Hadley, Doris J. (f)
Dubinski, Joseph W. (s)	Haley, Stephen (m)
Dunigan, Paul L. (m)	Hall, Albert L. (m)
Dunn, Kenneth (m)	Hall, David K. (m)
Dupras, Carl P. (m)	Hall, John H. (m)
Dupras, Fred L. (m)	Hall, Philip G. (m)
Eaton, Charles W. (1m 1f)	Hall, Richard W. (m)
Edgar, Russell E. (f)	Hannem, James C. (m)
Elliott, Francis J. (m)	Hanson, Edna M. (m)

Harless, Bert A., Jr. (m)	Lewkowicz, John (m)
Harrington, William C. (m)	Liddle, Lester J. (m)
Hartford, Hazel B. (s)	MacPhail, Lillian P. (s)
Hartley, John D. (m)	MacQuarrie, William Q. (m)
Healey, John T. (s)	Maffini, Carlo (m)
Hebert, Irene H. (m)	Maguire, Francis C. (m)
Hedlund, Robert C. (s)	Mann, Clarence W. (m)
Heman, Robert J. (m)	Mann, Dulcie J. (3f)
Hildreth, Arthur G. (m)	Mann, Harriet A. (m)
Hildreth, Charles L. (m)	Mann, Mabel E. (s)
Hildreth, Leon F. (s)	March, Shirley C. (m)
Hodgson, Eileen M. (m)	Marshall, Michael (m)
Hodgson, Harry (m)	Marshall, Robert G. (f)
Holmes, James (f)	Martin, Maudie M. (f)
Hook, Eric G. (m)	Maslbias, Stanley J. (m)
Hubbel, Edgar G. (f)	Mason, George B. (k4)
Ingalls, Harry M. (f)	McAvinew, James E. (m)
Jensen, Lillian A. (m)	McCarthy, Arthur (m)
Johnson, Donald F. (f)	McCarthy, Frank G. (k4)
Johnson, Harry C., Jr. (m)	McDonald, Barbara B. (f)
Johnson, N. Herman (s)	McDonald, Paul L. (m)
Johnston, Carl H. B. (s)	McDonnell, John (s)
Jones, Arthur C. (m)	McLenna, Edward F. (m)
Jones, Robert A. (f)	Melancon, Paul (f)
Kane, Lawrence R. (2s)	Merrick, Mary (m)
Kavanagh, John F. (s)	Miksha, Paul (m)
Kimball, John A. (f)	Milewski, Edward J. (m)
King, James A. (m)	Miller, F. Everett (m)
Knight, Stephen M. (1m 2f)	Miller, Jennie P. (s)
Knowlton, Alvin J. (s)	Millet, William A. (m)
Knutson, Edward W. (m)	Milot, Alberic G. (s)
Kofonicus, John V. (m)	Milot, Antonio (m)
Koning, William (m)	Milot, Arthur J. (s)
Kostechko, Simon (m)	Milot, Charles C. (m)
Laforme, Emile (m)	Milot, Lucien J. (2m)
Lahme, Paul W. (m)	Moore, Willard F., Jr. (f)
Lambert, Benjamin deF. (s)	Moulton, David G. (f)
Lamie, Adelina (m)	Mountain, Albert E. (f)
Lamie, Arthur J., Jr. (m)	Mountain, Edward P. (m)
Lamy, Joseph (m)	Mulligan, Francis J. (s)
Lavigne, Stanley J. (m)	Munroe, Albert H. (s)
LeDuc, Rita M. (s)	Munroe, Howard T. (2s)
LeFebre, Eva A. (m)	Neal, Donald E. (m)
Lehtinen, T. Edwin (1m 1s)	Nelson, Max (1m 1s)
LePage, Dorothy R. (s)	Nesmith, Norman K. (m)
Levasseur, Louis (m)	Nixon, Warren M. (m)

Norden, Sextus E. &
 Romanowsky, Arnold P. (k4)
 Nowers, Francis L. (s)
 Nylund, Carl R. (s)
 O'Connell, John J. (m)
 O'Connell, William L. (m)
 Ohlson, Axel E. (1m 1f)
 O'Leary, Charles G. (s)
 Oliver, Anthony P. (m)
 Oliver, Joseph, Sr. (m)
 Olson, Katherine L. (m)
 Orblonis, Anthony V. (m)
 Orr, Robert J. (m)
 Ouellette, Grace M. (s)
 Paduano, Frank (m)
 Palmer, Eunice M. (m)
 Pearson, Lois (m)
 Perkins, Clifford H., Jr. (m)
 Perkins, Joseph J. (m)
 Perkins, Robert B. (m)
 Peterson, Edgar S. (f)
 Phalon, Robert (m)
 Phillips, Donald R. (s)
 Phillips, Norman A. (m)
 Picking, Frederick H. (m)
 Picking, Margaret G. (m)
 Pierce, Laurence C. (k4)
 Polesayka, John (m)
 Pope, Charles E. (m)
 Pote, Guy S. (k4)
 Poulin, Ernest L. (3s)
 Prescott, Philip T. (f)
 Profita, Joseph M. (s)
 Provost, Claude P. (m)
 Provost, Edmund L. (m)
 Provost, Mary A. (m)
 Reeves, George E. (m)
 Reeves, Lester J. (m)
 Reynolds, Maxwell W. (m)
 Richards, Samuel A. (2m)
 Riel, Hermas I. (s)
 Robbins, Catherine E. (m)
 Roberts, Herman S. (1m 1s)
 Robinson, Walter H., Jr. (s)
 Robinson, William E. (m)
 Roderson, Virginia S. (s)
 Rogers, Edmund D. (k4)
 Rollins, Carroll J. (s)
 Romanowsky, Arnold P. (m)
 Romanowsky, Arnold P. &
 Norden, Sextus E. (k4)
 Rooks, Beverly J. (s)
 Roux, Napoleon (m)
 Russell, Edward F. (m)
 Ryan, James L., Jr. (m)
 Saraceni, Joseph (1m 1f)
 Sawosik, Michael (m)
 Schill, Frederick (m)
 Schwartz, William R. (s)
 Scott, David C. (f)
 Scott, Everett A. (m)
 Siemlanski, Edward J. (f)
 Sienkewicz, John (s)
 Simons, Sigmund (s)
 Sleeper, Charles N. (m)
 Smith, F. Stanley (s)
 Smith, Paul F. (m)
 Smith, Robert G. (f)
 Socha, Marygan (s)
 Sproul, Samuel M. (m)
 Stannlonis, Jacob (s)
 Stewart, Waldo E. (f)
 St. Gelais, Marjorie A. (s)
 Stone, Ellen L. (k4)
 Sudak, Constantine (m)
 Sudak, Nicholas (m)
 Sullivan, Edward T. (m)
 Suzedelys, Stanley (m)
 Swanson, Varnum H. (2m)
 Targ, Theodore J. (s)
 Taylor, William R. (m)
 Tebbetts, George R. (1m 1s)
 Tereshko, Walter (m)
 Thompson, James F. (m)
 Thompson, Raymond E. (m)
 Todd, Herman L. (m)
 Totton, Thomas F. (2m)
 Traversa, Antonio J. (m)
 Tuttle, Ruth P. (s)
 Valley, Loren B. (f)
 Venn, John J. (m)
 Vervaert, Marcel (m)

Vickers, Ephraim (m)	Whitney, Nathaniel R. (m)
Voropay, Nicholas P. (m)	Whitney, Warren W. (m)
Vyskaska, Mary (m)	Wilder, George S. (m)
Wajda, Stanley J. (f)	Williamson, Oscar (f)
Walker, Robert J. (m)	Wilson, Raymond S. (s)
Walsh, Frances (m)	Wilson, T. Arthur E. (m)
Walsh, Michael J. (s)	Woitowicz, Florian (m)
Wark, Donald T. (m)	Wood, Francis C. (m)
Wetmore, Anna B. (s)	Woodard, Rita A. (s)
Wheeler, James A. (m)	Woodard, Shirley A. (m)
Wheeler, Susie J. (1m 1f)	Woznac, Alexander M. (1m 1f)
White, Edward J. (s)	Wyman, Carl P. (f)
Whitney, Donald A. (m)	Wyman, David L. (m)
Whitney, Grace L. (m)	Wyman, George W. (s)
Whitney, Hamilton E. (1m 1f)	Wyman, Shirley C. (m)
Whitney, Harry G. (m)	Young, Catherine S. (m)
Whitney, John W. (2m)	Zubowicz, Leon (m)

NOTE: (m) Male; (f) Female; (s) Spayed Female; (k) Kennel.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION—MARCH 1, 1948

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Whole Number of Ballots Cast	288	358	112	353	1111

TOWN CLERK (Three Years)

Charles L. Hildreth	247	253	97	235	832
Victor Doucette	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	41	104	15	118	278

SELECTMAN (Three Years)

Lawrence J. Charlton	17	19	18	19	73
Frederick W. Gatenby	148	107	35	110	400
Thomas W. Gower	116	226	57	217	616
Blanks	7	6	2	7	22

ASSESSOR (Three Years)

Albert H. Forty	36	123	12	105	276
Fred E. Langley	9	113	6	57	185
Carroll J. Rollins	199	29	59	33	320
Edward St. Onge	35	79	33	137	284
Blanks	9	14	2	21	46

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Three Years)

Umberto P. Colarusso	30	25	50	12	117
Clifford J. Courchaine	36	157	9	262	464
William L. Wall	60	125	28	107	320
Alfred T. Wark	185	57	42	23	307
H. Arnold Wilder	180	143	60	134	517
Blanks	85	209	35	168	497

MODERATOR (Three Years)

Ben W. Drew	229	233	95	226	783
Robert Fenton	0	1	0	0	1
Alfred Prinn	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	59	123	17	127	326

CONSTABLE (One Year)

John F. Sullivan	226	264	101	264	855
Edward Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	62	93	11	89	255

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE (Three Years)

Samuel A. Richards	227	221	94	225	767
Blanks	61	137	18	128	344

TRUSTEE OF THE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY (Three Years)

William R. Taylor	236	247	98	231	812
Waldo Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	52	110	14	122	298

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (Three Years)

Fred R. Blodgett	231	247	93	218	789
Waldo Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	57	110	19	135	321

BOARD OF HEALTH (Three Years)

Dwight W. Cowles	236	240	96	250	822
Harold Hildreth	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	52	117	16	103	288

TREE WARDEN (One Year)

Harry L. Nesmith	231	239	96	233	799
William MacMillan	0	1	0	0	1
Alfred Couture	0	1	0	0	1
Willard Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	57	116	16	120	309

We hereby certify that the above is a true canvass of the Votes Cast at the Annual Town Election held March 1, 1948.

ATTEST:

NORMAN E. DAY,

PAUL L. DUNIGAN,

JAMES J. McKNIFF,

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Board of Registrars of Voters,

Westford.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING—MARCH 6, 1948

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Saturday, March 6, 1948, at one o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, was sworn in by Charles L. Hildreth, Town Clerk, and called the meeting to order.

Rev. Eugene M. Benedict, Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, offered prayer.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

The Canvass of the Votes Cast, at the Town Election, March 1st, made by the Board of Registrars, was read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that the Report of the Fire House Committee, appointed under Article 27 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held February 18, 1946, be accepted as a Report of progress and that the time for making the Committee's Report be extended until the next Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the compensation of Town Officers be as follows and effective as of January 1, 1948:

Selectmen — Chairman \$225.00

Other two Members \$200.00 each

Board of Public Welfare — Chairman \$20.00

Other two Members \$10.00 each

Town Treasurer — \$1,880.00

Town Clerk — \$400.00

Collector of Taxes — \$1,600.00

Tree Warden — \$0.90 per hour

Assessors — \$7.00 per day of eight hours

Registrars of Voters — \$7.00 per day of eight hours

ARTICLE 3.

1. Voted that the sum of \$11,936.00 be raised and appropriated for General Government, divided as follows:

Selectmen — \$1,000.00

License Expenses — \$100.00

Town Accountant — \$1,175.00

Town Treasurer — \$2,230.00

Assessors — \$1,750.00

Tax Collector — \$2,100.00

Tax Title Expenses — \$250.00

Town Counsel — \$300.00

Town Clerk — \$800.00

Election and Registration — \$2,231.00

2. Voted that the sum of \$3,800.00 be raised and appropriated for the General Expenses of the Town Hall.

3. Voted that the sum of \$8,880.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Police Department.

4. Voted that the sum of \$8,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Fire Department, divided as follows:

General Expenses — \$8,000.00

Permanent Man — \$500.00

5. Voted that the sum of \$4,365.00 be raised and appropriated for Fire Hydrants.

6. Voted that the sum of \$125.00 be raised and appropriated for the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

7. Voted that the sum of \$75.00 be raised and appropriated for the Salary and Expenses of the Fish and Game Warden.

8. Voted that the sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of fighting Forest Fires.

9. Voted that the sum of \$50.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Town Forest.

10. Voted that the sum of \$600.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Tree Warden.

11. Voted that the sum of \$1,100.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Moth Department.

12. Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Health Department.

13. Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Cattle Inspector.

14a. Voted that the sum of \$15,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Snow and Ice Removal.

b. Voted that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Roads.

15. Voted that the sum of \$36,125.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Welfare Department, divided as follows:

Temporàry Aid and Infirmary — \$16,525.00

Aid to Dependent Children — \$2,000.00

Old Age Assistance — \$17,600.00

16. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Soldiers' Benefits.

17. Voted that the sum of \$117,121.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the School Department.

18. Voted that the sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated for Vocational School Tuition.

19. Voted that the sum of \$3,600.00 be raised and appropriated, together with the Receipts from Dog Licenses in 1947, to defray the Expenses of the Public Library.

20. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Care of the Common.

21. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Commemorating Memorial Day.

22. Voted that the sum of \$1,100.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Publishing and Distributing the Town Reports.

23. Voted that the sum of \$1,682.53 be raised and appropriated for Fire Insurance and that the further sum of \$1,250.00 be raised and appropriated for Compensation Insurance.

24. Voted that the sum of \$25.00 be raised and appropriated for Interest on Revenue Loans.

25. Voted that the sum of \$3,690.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of Cemeteries.

26. Voted to defer action under this item until after Articles 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 have been taken up.

27. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be used as a Reserve Fund at the discretion of the Finance Committee as provided in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6 and that the further sum of \$10.00 be raised and appropriated to be used by the Finance Committee for payment of Membership in the Association of Town Finance Committees.

28. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$770.51 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying unpaid bills of 1947 to be divided as follows:

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Lowell Electric Light Corp. \$2.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Lowell Electric Light Corp. \$12.32; Tadmuck Oil Co. \$6.77; James Knowlton \$13.76; Louis W. Bills \$11.50; Scotty's Service \$5.45; TOTAL \$49.80.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Scotty's Service \$3.45; George E. Reeves \$1.72; TOTAL \$5.17.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT — INFIRMARY: Nabnasset Food Locker \$19.60.

TEMPORARY AID: Mass. Dept. Public Welfare \$276.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE: Dr. Dwight W. Cowles \$3.00; Lowell Visiting Nurses Assoc. \$5.00; Page Drug Store, Chelmsford \$13.60; Old Age Assistance, Lowell \$214.33; Old Age Assistance, Chelmsford, \$182.01; TOTAL \$417.94.

ARTICLE 4. Voted unanimously that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Revenue of the Current Financial Year and to issue a Note or Notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any Note or Notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. Voted that the sum of \$10,125.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways. and that, in addition, the sum of \$18,225.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 6. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for Maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, on condition that like amounts be contributed by either or both the State and County respectively, to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$1,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 7. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the care of the Whitney Playground.

ARTICLE 8. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for Band Concerts during the current year.

ARTICLE 9. Voted that the sum of \$483.02 be raised and appropriated for the Machinery Fund, and that the sum of \$3,465.88 be transferred from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 10. Voted that the sum of \$10.00 be raised and appropriated for Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics and that a Director be elected under the Provisions of Chapter 128, Sections 40-45 of the General Laws as amended. Mabel M. Nixon was unanimously elected Director.

ARTICLE 11. Voted that the Town accept a gift made to it by Isabel F. Hyam's Fund, Inc., formerly known as the Solomon Hyam's Fund, Inc., and that the Town Clerk be authorized and directed to extend to said Corporation the appreciation of the Town for this gift.

ARTICLE 12. Voted that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Reconstructing the Groton Road contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith and, that in addition, the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 13. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Reconstructing the Town Farm Road and Reconstructing, Repairing or Widening the Town Farm Road Bridge contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith and, that in addition, the sum of \$3,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of

the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 14. Voted that the sum of \$7,350.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing Two New Trucks for the Highway Department, said purchases to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to sell and to transfer, by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale, title to the two trucks and Fordson Grader now used by the Highway Department and apply the sum received therefrom against the purchase price of the New Trucks.

ARTICLE 16. Voted that the sum of \$685.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing Two New Snow Plows for the Highway Department, said purchases to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 17. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to sell and to transfer, by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale, title to the Two Snow Plows now used by the Highway Department and apply the sum received therefrom against the purchase price of the Two New Snow Plows to be purchased.

ARTICLE 18. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of making alterations and repairs to the Steam Roller now used by the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 19. Voted that the sum of \$650.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Refinishing the Fire House at Westford Center.

ARTICLE 20. Voted that the sum of \$650.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing approximately 500 feet of New 2½" Double Jacket Treated Fire Hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 21. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing approximately 1,000 feet of Hose to be used by the Forest Fire Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Forest Warden.

ARTICLE 22. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Repairing Certain Public Sidewalks, said sum of money to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen and for the Repair of such Public Sidewalks as the Selectmen shall determine.

ARTICLE 23. Voted that the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated and shall be added to the amount of \$15,000.00 already appropriated under Article 27 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held February 18, 1946, and the entire sum to be used for the purpose of Erecting a New Fire House at Graniteville and expended under the supervision of a Fire House Committee consisting of the Board of Selectmen, the Fire Engineers and one Voter to be appointed by the Moderator, said Committee to have full power and authority to obtain such further plans and specifications as the Committee deems advisable and to pay for the same out of this appropriation.

ARTICLE 24. Voted that the sum of \$1,384.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended.

ARTICLE 25. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to continuing the Survey and Maps of the Town.

ARTICLE 26. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Pine Street.

ARTICLE 27. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on West Prescott Street in Forge Village at or near the home of Josephine M. Connell.

ARTICLE 28. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install two Street Lights on Dunstable Road.

ARTICLE 29. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Chamberlin Road.

ARTICLE 30. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Elm Street.

ARTICLE 3. 26. Voted that the sum of \$7,247.00 be raised and appropriated for Street Lights.

ARTICLE 31. Voted that the School Committee be instructed to install, on the Nabnasset School, a siren now used temporarily by the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 32. Voted that the Moderator appoint five Voters of the Town to act with the School Committee as a Planning Committee to make further study relative to the development of the necessary School facilities of the Town and report in writing its recommendations to the Town not later than at the next Annual

Town Meeting — and that the sum of \$100.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of Printing and Distributing copies of said Report to the Voters and other Expenses of the Committee.

ARTICLE 33. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to raising and appropriating \$12,000.00 or some other sum for employing an Architect to draw plans for a new School.

ARTICLE 36. Voted to take up this Article before taking up Articles 34 and 35. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to the appointment of a Committee to arrange for the purchase of the Westford Water Company.

ARTICLE 34. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to the taking, by purchase or eminent domain, the franchise etc. of the Westford Water Company.

ARTICLE 35. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to petitioning the General Court to increase the amount limited in a Bond Issue.

ARTICLE 37. Voted that the sum of \$100.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Department of Veterans' Services, including the Compensation of the Director of Veterans' Services, as provided in Chapter 599 of the Acts of 1946.

ARTICLE 38. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to the use of Free Cash by the Assessors.

ARTICLE 39. Voted to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 40. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.
A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk, Westford.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—JUNE 22, 1948

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Tuesday, June 22, 1948, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$784.99 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, for the purpose of paying Unpaid Bills of previous years, to be divided as follows:

Highways Snow Account — John Shea	\$268.00
Temporary Aid — Commonwealth of Massachusetts —	
Division of Child Guardianship - - - - -	259.01
Clover Farm Store — Forge Village	15.00
Old Age Assistance — Bureau Old Age Assistance	242.98

ARTICLE 2. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$800.00 be raised and appropriated or transferred from Available Funds to the Account entitled School Department for the purpose of defraying the salary of an additional teacher at the Nabnasset School.

ARTICLE 3. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated or transferred from Available Funds to the Account entitled School Department for the purpose of purchasing and installing such furniture and other items as may be necessary to furnish an additional room at the Nabnasset School.

ARTICLE 4. Voted unanimously that the Town hereby determines that a Housing Authority is needed in the Town of Westford for the purpose of housing for families of low income — and that a Housing Authority be organized in accordance with the Provisions of Section 26K of Chapter 121 of the General Laws and Amendments thereto known as the Housing Authority Law.

ARTICLE 5. A Motion that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated or transferred from Available Funds for the purpose of defraying the initial expenses of the Housing Authority was lost.

ARTICLE 6. Voted to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 7. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk, Westford.

STATE ELECTION—NOVEMBER 2, 1948

Party Designations: (R) Republican; (D) Democrat; (SL) Socialist Labor; (P) Prohibitionist; (PROG.) Progressive.

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Whole Number of Ballots Cast	523	498	270	547	1838

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Dewey and Warren (R)	372	136	158	118	784
Teichert and Emery (SL)	1	0	1	1	3
Truman and Barkley (D)	134	339	98	404	975
Wallace and Taylor (PROG)	8	6	9	11	34
Watson and Learn (P)	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	7	17	4	23	51

GOVERNOR

Robert F. Bradford (R)	341	96	128	92	657
Paul A. Dever (D)	164	374	133	433	1104
Horace I. Hillis (SL)	2	0	2	1	5
Mark R. Shaw (P)	0	0	1	0	1
Blanks	16	28	6	21	71

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Arthur W. Coolidge (R)	360	109	151	88	708
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan (D)	135	345	107	444	1031
Lawrence Gilfedder (SL)	4	1	2	2	9
Guy S. Williams (P)	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	24	42	10	33	109

SECRETARY

Frederick W. Cook (R)	395	152	185	129	861
Edward J. Cronin (D)	100	292	65	370	827
Gote E. Palmquist (SL)	3	2	3	3	11
Blanks	25	52	17	45	139

TREASURER

Laurence Curtis (R)	367	112	165	95	739
John E. Hurley (D)	124	331	86	408	949
Harold J. Ireland (P)	0	0	2	1	3
Malcolm T. Rowe (SL)	4	2	3	3	12
Blanks	28	53	14	40	135

AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley (D)	165	334	115	339	953
Russell A. Wood (R)	316	106	130	73	625
Robert A. Simmons (P)	4	0	0	0	4
Francis A. Votano (SL)	3	2	4	3	12
Blanks	35	56	21	52	164

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Clarence A. Barnes (R)	372	124	169	111	776
Francis E. Kelly (D)	114	319	77	381	891
Anthony Martin (SL)	6	4	7	6	23
Blanks	31	51	17	49	148

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Leverett Saltonstall (R)	401	176	183	153	913
John I. Fitzgerald (D)	100	271	73	297	741
Henning A. Blomen (SL)	3	3	3	2	11
E. Tallmadge Root (P)	0	1	0	1	2
Blanks	19	47	11	44	121

CONGRESSMAN — Fifth District

Edith Nourse Rogers (R)	457	333	226	357	1373
Bill Wall	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	66	164	44	190	464

COUNCILLOR — Third District

Otis M. Whitney (R)	371	132	168	114	785
Donald B. Falvey, Jr. (D)	104	275	77	316	772
Blanks	48	91	25	67	231

SENATOR — First Middlesex District

William C. Geary (D)	150	305	101	382	938
Robert Henry Achin (R)	337	138	153	119	747
Blanks	36	55	16	46	153

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Eleventh Middlesex District

Edward J. DeSaulnier, Jr. (R) ..	358	160	168	157	843
Daniel J. Hart (D)	131	274	85	340	830
Samuel A. Richards	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	33	64	17	50	164

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY — Middlesex County

Loring P. Jordan (R)	367	130	162	99	758
John J. Butler (D)	105	274	72	372	823
Blanks	51	94	36	76	257

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS — Middlesex County — Vote for Two

William G. Andrew (R)	363	150	151	122	786
Edwin O. Childs (R)	288	109	126	110	633
James A. Cullen (D)	118	284	78	377	857
Blanks	277	453	185	477	1392

COUNTY TREASURER — Middlesex County

Charles P. Howard (R)	412	242	206	243	1103
Blanks	111	256	64	304	735

SHERIFF — Middlesex County (To fill vacancy)					
Louis E. Boutwell (R)	385	145	170	118	818
Patrick J. Brennan (D)	100	266	73	405	844
Blanks	38	87	27	64	216

QUESTION NO. 1 — REFERENDUM
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
RIGHT OF FREE SPEECH

YES	369	258	186	289	1102
NO	44	47	25	67	183
Blanks	110	193	59	191	553

QUESTION NO. 2
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
TAXES, ETC., TO BE USED FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES

YES	364	252	189	302	1107
NO	50	55	24	73	202
Blanks	109	191	57	192	549

QUESTION NO. 3
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
VACANCY IN STATE OFFICE

YES	333	211	168	257	969
NO	42	69	38	67	216
Blanks	148	218	64	223	653

QUESTION NO. 4 — BIRTH CONTROL					
YES	289	126	144	88	647
NO	167	264	90	394	915
Blanks	67	108	36	75	286

QUESTION NO. 5 — EMPLOYMENT					
YES	184	79	71	92	426
NO	226	255	150	299	930
Blanks	113	164	49	166	492

QUESTION NO. 6 — LABOR ORGANIZATIONS					
YES	230	103	94	115	542
NO	168	220	125	263	776
Blanks	125	175	51	169	520

QUESTION NO. 7 — CALLING OF STRIKES					
YES	244	113	95	112	564
NO	160	225	130	264	779
Blanks	119	160	45	171	495

QUESTION NO. 8 — TERM OF PRESIDENT

YES	293	170	153	185	801
NO	102	128	55	150	435
Blanks	128	200	62	212	602

QUESTION NO. 9

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages) ?

YES	261	312	170	371	1114
NO	188	83	70	77	418
Blanks	74	103	30	98	305

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages) ?

YES	258	296	166	346	1066
NO	167	64	64	66	361
Blanks	98	138	40	135	411

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises ?

YES	279	310	171	356	1116
NO	152	59	59	72	342
Blanks	92	129	40	119	380

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk

STATEWIDE RECOUNTS

Westford Mass., November 17, 1948

This is to certify that at a Recount of the Votes Cast for Register of Probate and Insolvency at the State Election on November 2, 1948, held at the Town Hall, Westford Centre, November 17, 1948, at 7:00 o'clock P. M., the following is the result:

Loring P. Jordan of Wakefield	Votes	756
John T. Butler of Wakefield	Votes	820
Blanks		262
Total		1838

NORMAN E. DAY

JAMES J. McKNIFF

PAUL L. DUNIGAN

CHARLES L. HILDRETH

Board of Registrars of Voters.

Westford, Mass., November 17, 1948

This is to certify that at a Recount of the Votes Cast for State Senator at the State Election on November 2, 1948, held at the Town Hall, Westford Centre, November 17, 1948 at 7:00 P. M., the following is the result:

William C. Geary of Lowell	Votes	939
Robert Henry Achin of Lowell	Votes	745
Blanks		154
Total		1838

NORMAN E. DAY

JAMES J. McKNIFF

PAUL L. DUNIGAN

CHARLES L. HILDRETH

Board of Registrars of Voters.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—NOVEMBER 5, 1948

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1948, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that the sum of \$3,325.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Welfare Department, to be divided as follows:

TEMPORARY AID AND INFIRMARY	\$ 875.00	
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	250.00	
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	2,200.00	\$3,325.00

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 3. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, for the purpose of employing an Architect to make preliminary drawings, estimate of expenses and to otherwise assist the Planning Committee appointed under ARTICLE 32 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in making its final Report to the Town; said sum to be expended under the direction of said Planning Committee.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk, Westford.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

Westford, Mass.

February 14, 1949.

The Board of Selectmen organized in the beginning of the year with Dr. Cyril A. Blaney, Chairman; Edward F. Harrington, Secretary; and Thomas W. Gower the third member.

The Annual Audit was made by the Director of Accounts and a copy is printed herein.

The resignation of Genevieve A. Healy as Town Accountant was received, who had served the town very efficiently since 1943. Dana Fletcher was appointed to fill this office.

A Veterans' Housing Committee was appointed consisting of five members and will investigate the needs and make all and any arrangements on the housing project in Westford.

New covering was installed on the floors of the Town Hall.

Electric gates and safety signals were installed at the crossing at Forge Village, giving better warnings for safety of foot travel and vehicles using the crossing.

We have contacted the Lowell Electric Light Company many times for the installation of the street lights voted by the people at various Town Meetings and as yet have had no results, just promises.

Spraying of the shade trees was done for the elm leaf and bark beetle, gypsy and brown-tail moths with good results by contract work and the Moth Department.

Work was started but delayed on the Town Farm Road on account of not being able to get material for the bridge. This work will be completed this spring as soon as weather conditions permit.

Satisfactory construction on Groton Road was carried out by our Superintendent of Highways under the supervision of the County Engineers. To complete the above project a new piece of road needs to be added this year.

The reports of different departments are printed in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

CYRIL A. BLANEY
EDWARD F. HARRINGTON
THOMAS W. GOWER

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Gentlemen:

The following is my report for year ending December 31, 1948:

CHAPTER 81 AND GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

The usual highway maintenance was carried out during the year, which included the use of pea stone, gravel, tar, asphalt and screened sand. Various roads and streets were widened and stones and trees taken out. The new grader proved its worth doing this kind of work. A new pipe line starting at Ellisons corner and extending to pond near Storage Plant was installed, road was widened and several catch basins were put in to handle drainage.

Some new equipment was purchased this year including two (2) new Ford trucks. The trucks have proven very satisfactory and are holding up well.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION GROTON ROAD

I am glad to report Groton Road Chapter 90 Construction was started in July and finished the first part of August.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

The usual maintenance of Chapter 90 highways was carried out again this year under the provisions of the allotment.

Respectfully yours,

AUSTIN HEALY

Supt. of Streets.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Westford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1948 for the Police Department.

Report to the Department of Correction has been made.

Arrests made	22
Assault and battery	6
Abandoned autos	7
Auto violations	11
Auto accidents	31
Auto transfers	76
Auto registration	16
Auto licenses revoked	14
Appeals cases to Superior court	6
Cases in Ayer court	21
Collected for liquor licenses	\$2,382
Complaints against dog	26
Complaints investigated cruelty to animals	7
Complaints on dead animals left on top of ground	8
Complaints on suspicious persons	16
Camp and houses broken into	9
Dogs kill by automobiles	6
Dogs shot	12
Duty at public gathering	64
Dances	27
Driving under the influence of liquor	6
Driving so to endanger	5
Disturbance of the peace	11
Drunkenness	18
Driving without a license	4
Fruit thieves	3
Family disturbances	58
Fires attended	14
Funerals attended	16
Idle and disorderly	6
Investigations made	604

In lockup at town farm	23
Jurors	7
Breaking and entering in the night time	6
Men taken to Jail	7
Leaving scene after injury to property	1
Larceny complaints	29
Notices posted	24
Public nuisances in beer places	27
Pedestrians struck by automobiles	4
Petty complaints	356
Summonses and notices served	48
Warrants served	12
Electric wires down on street	16
Inspection of camps when roads are open	
Malicious injury to property	36
Patients taken to Gardner State hospital	5
Receiving stolen goods	3
Driving so to endanger	6
Loitering in street	2
Lay watching in different place	8
Assault and battery attempted rape	1
Strike in Graniteville	28 weeks

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Officer Connell, and the other Special Officers of the Town of Westford, also the State Police, for their advice, cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SULLIVAN

Chief of Police.

JURY LIST 1949

Name	Occupation	Address
Bale, Frank V.	Maintenance Man	Nabnasset St.
Brule, George J.	Millhand	1 Canal St.
Carver, William	Mechanic	Main St.
Connell, Robert	Clerk	5 Prescott St.
Connelly, John E.	Wool Sorter	Main St. G.
Cote, Roland J.	Millhand	Broadway
Courchaine, Donald E.	Millhand	10 Orchard St.
Crickett, Joseph	Fireman	Prescott St.
Decato, Hervie J.	Farmer	Lowell Road
Denisevich, Anthony	Painter	Broadway
Doucette, Victor G.	Machinist	Fourth St.
Elliott, Mathew A.	Steam Fitter	Patten Road
Ellison, Frederick J. H.	Wool Sorter	Broadway
Fitzpatrick, Frederick J.	Mill hand	7 Palermo St.
Forty, Albert H.	Clerk	Main St. G.
Furbush, William C.	Retired	Broadway
Grenier, Alberic	Storekeeper	Main St. G.
Hadley, Emerson E.	Sales Manager	Oak Hill Rd.
Hanson, Axel F.	Machinist	Main St. G.
Healy, James L.	Fun. Dir. Apprentice	Second St.
Jewett, Ellsworth J. D.	Teamster	Main St. G.
Kavanagh, Norman	Millhand	Canal St.
Kelley, James	Woolsorter	Lincoln Ave.
Knowlton, James L.	Storekeeper	Main St.
Lavigne, Francis	Laborer	Nabnasset St.
MacQuarrie, William Q.	Millhand	Moore St.
McKniff, James	Painter	Orchard St.
McKniff, Thomas J.	Wool Sorter	12 Palermo St.
Mountain, Edward P.	Laborer	Forge Village Rd.
Paduano, Salvatore	Bartender	Groton Road
Palmer, Warren R.	Garage Owner	Main St. G.
Pickup, Albert	Retired	Brookside Road
Regan, John E.	Millhand	River St.
Scott, David C.	Carpenter	Forge Village Rd.
St. Onge, Edward J.	Machinist	Maple St.
St. Onge, George E.	Permanent Fireman	Boston Road
Thompson, Joseph M.	Photographer	Prescott St.
Wark, Alfred T.	Machinist	Old Lowell Road
Whitney, Roland	Mechanic	Main St.
Young, Wallace	Wool Sorter	Bradford St.

CYRIL A. BLANEY

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

THOMAS W. GOWER

Selectmen of Westford.

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of the Town of Westford:

I herewith present the annual report of the Town Accountant in accordance with the General Laws.

All are reminded by the accountant that all books are open to the public for inspection at any time.

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

Current Year

Poll	\$ 2,284.00
Personal	18,699.25
Real Estate	146,863.31

\$167,846.56

Previous Years

Poll	\$ 20.00
Personal	381.20
Real Estate	9,010.27

\$ 9,411.47

Tax Title Redemptions \$ 1,408.60

Tax Title Release \$ 3.00

From State:

Corporation Tax	\$ 32,371.59
Income Tax	26,266.23
Old Age Assistance	
Meal Tax	923.92
Public Service	14.65

\$ 59,576.39

Withholding Tax \$ 11,480.34

From County: Dog Taxes \$ 576.46

Permits and Licenses:

Liquor	\$ 2,182.65
Music	26.00
Sunday	107.00
Movie	46.00
Gasoline	23.00
Milk	35.00
Taxi	1.00

Pistol	9.00	
Peddler	5.00	
Junk Dealer	5.00	
Second Hand Dealer	5.00	
Permits	35.00	
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		\$ 2,479.65
Court Fines		93.00
Dog Taxes		990.40
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax		
Current Year	\$ 10,949.68	
Previous Year	485.32	
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		\$ 11,435.00
Grants and Gifts:		
From Federal Government:		
Old Age Assistance	\$ 15,538.79	
Aid Dependent Children	1,328.19	
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		\$ 16,866.98
Departmental Revenue:		
Land Court Expense	\$ 26.00	
Collector	21.03	
Town Hall	225.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	40.13	
Health	188.57	
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		\$ 500.73
Highways:		
State	\$ 17,777.03	
County	2,496.54	
Chapter 81	21,428.19	
Work for Individuals	295.50	
Sale of Equipment	1,956.13	
Machinery Fund	4,203.00	
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		\$ 48,156.39
Welfare:		
Infirmary	\$ 8,791.45	
Infirmary from Towns	2,810.76	
Aid Dependent Children	1,442.01	
Old Age Assistance	12,931.49	
Temporary Aid	154.60	
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		\$ 26,130.31

Soldiers' Benefits, State \$ 263.00

Schools:

Tuition—State\$ 987.58

Tuition—Individuals 656.72

All other from schools 12.40

\$ 1,656.70

Library: Fines 76.74

Fletcher Lecture Fund:

door receipts 4.00

Hyams: Gift 300.00

Retirement 2,217.12

Refunds, Departmental 477.17

Withdrawals:

Whitney Playground Int.\$ 150.00

Whitney Shade Tree Int. 350.00

Emily Fletcher Lecture Fund 225.00

Cemetery—Interest 724.78

Library—Interest 425.00

Metcalf Monument 30.00

\$ 1,904.78

Cemeteries:

Lot Care\$ 611.00

Opening Graves 528.00

Sale of Lots 155.00

\$ 1,294.00

Interest:

Deferred Taxes\$ 331.65

Perpetual Care 748.75

Metcalf Monument 32.50

Investment Funds 278.63

Tax Titles 7.12

Cemetery Funds 2.80

\$ 1,401.45

Trust Funds: Perpetual Care..... \$ 1,975.00

Total Receipts \$368,525.24

Balance on Hand January 1, 1948 89,794.08

\$458,319.32

EXPENDITURES

General Government:

Selectmen:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 845.00
Stationery and Advertising	74.90

\$ 919.90

Finance Committee	10.00
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License Expense	82.83
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Town Accountant:

Salary	\$ 1,100.00
Printing, stationery, postage.....	40.15
Book binding	20.00

\$ 1,160.15

Town Treasurer:

Salary	\$ 1,880.00
Stationery, printing, postage.....	87.59
Surety bond	116.00
Check book	94.56
Membership dues	1.00
Insurance	31.00

\$ 2,210.15

Tax Title Expense	\$ 274.50
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Assessors:

Wages	\$ 1,278.85
Clerk	227.70
Printing and stationery	130.82
Obtaining transfers of deeds.....	76.00
Legal	25.00
Membership dues	6.00
Bankers & Tradesman Magazine	14.00

\$ 1,758.37

Tax Collector:

Salary	\$ 1,600.00
Stationery and printing	262.23
Bond and insurance	180.50
Legal	38.75
Membership dues	1.00
Advertising	25.88

\$ 2,108.36

Town Counsel	\$ 300.00
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Town Clerk:

Salary	\$ 400.00
Recording Fees	216.50
Stationery, printing, postage	38.53
Dues	3.00
Oaths	9.75
Express Charges	2.23
Mass. Town Clerk Association	29.72
Surety bond	7.50

\$ 707.23

Registration & Election:

Wages, Registrars Meetings...\$	251.00
Wages, Election Officers	552.00
Rent of Halls	105.00
Repairs to Voting Booths	20.00
Printing Check Lists	256.20
Advertising, Lowell Sun	79.89
Ballots for Town Election	52.00
Listing	644.00
Printing and stationery	94.59
Preparing Material for Elections	265.00

\$ 2,319.68

\$ 11,851.17

Town Hall:

Janitor	\$ 1,680.84
Fuel	971.87
Light	190.39
Janitor's Supplies	65.51
Repairs	168.90
Telephone	215.92
New Flooring Surface	195.00
Miscellaneous	58.10

\$ 3,546.53

\$ 3,546.53

Protection of Persons and Property:

Insurance:

Compensation	\$ 728.10
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Fire 3,183.24

\$ 3,911.34

Police Department:

Salaries	\$ 5,996.00
Special Officers	702.65
Assistant's Auto Expense	600.00
Auto Repairs	514.65
Gasoline	538.92
Light	11.00
Telephone	195.56
Garage Rent	48.00
Radio Service	98.09
Insurance	121.77
Dues	10.00
Miscellaneous	42.50

\$ 8,879.14

Fire Department:

Salaries	\$ 1,974.58
Insurance	1,312.11

\$ 3,286.69

Apparatus:

Equipment	\$ 69.73
Gasoline	279.73
Repairs, truck	640.28
Hose	698.14

\$ 1,687.88

Other Expense:

Telephone	\$ 147.18
Building repairs	243.34
Fuel	630.76
Light	144.68
Water	108.92
All other	49.02

\$ 1,323.90

New Fire Hose	650.00
New Pump, Forge Village	700.00
Inhalator	310.00
Generator	350.33
Paint Westford Fire House	630.00
Paint Graniteville Fire House	751.10

Siren:

Westford	284.24	
Graniteville	105.00	
New Fire House, Graniteville.....	16,633.51	
Permanent Man	500.00	
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		\$ 40,003.13

Hydrants	\$ 4,365.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures.....	125.00	
Game Warden	75.00	
Moth Department	1,016.36	
Tree Warden	486.10	
Forest Fires:		
Payroll and Maintenance	\$ 1,496.75	
Forest Hose	500.00	
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\$ 1,996.75

\$ 8,064.21

Health: See Health Report	\$ 3,230.66	
Cattle Inspector	200.00	
Middlesex County		
T. B. Hospital	1,651.38	
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\$ 5,082.04

Highway:

Street Lights	\$ 6,979.20	
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Snow and Ice Removal:

Salaries and Expense	\$ 7,132.23	
Hired Trucks	2,495.29	
Stone, Gravel, etc.	513.24	
Salt	656.50	
Equipment and Repairs	1,372.64	
Gasoline	869.33	
Anti-freeze	82.57	
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\$ 13,121.80

Town Accounts:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 186.29	
Trucks	115.00	
Stone, Gravel	160.60	
Equipment and Repairs	172.41	
Loam	24.00	

Insurance ----- 215.42

\$ 873.72

Chapter 81:

Salaries and Wages ----- \$ 18,294.42
Trucks ----- 65.00
Stone and Gravel ----- 2,620.14
Asphaltnix ----- 5,833.06
Culverts ----- 1,040.72
Pipe ----- 279.56
Cement ----- 33.00
Posts ----- 183.75

\$ 28,349.65

Machinery Account:

Rent ----- \$ 454.20
Equipment Repairs ----- 2,742.87
Fleet Insurance ----- 373.81
Grease ----- 46.20
Gasoline ----- 1,215.20
Alcohol ----- 21.80
Advertising ----- 23.99
Kerosene ----- 23.45
Blade for Grader ----- 375.00

\$ 5,276.52

Chapter 90:

Salaries and Expenses ----- 4,759.37
Hired Trucks ----- 162.00
Stone and Gravel ----- 2,039.48
Asphalt ----- 2,422.37
Sand ----- 104.10

9,487.32

Sidewalks -----

477.14

Recondition Steam Roller -----

1,347.02

New Trucks -----

7,422.42

\$ 73,334.79

Welfare Department:

Temporary Aid: See Report ----- 6,245.06
Infirmary: See Report ----- 10,922.86
Aid to Dependent Children ----- 4,014.24
Old Age Assistance ----- 36,133.15

57,315.31

Soldiers' Benefits:

Administration	580.00	
Military Aid, World War II	72.35	
Fuel	46.46	
Groceries	43.10	
Medical	138.00	
Photo Supplies	8.86	
		888.77

	888.77	
Schools: See Report	118,301.53	
Vocational Tuition	325.00	
Public Library	4,523.29	
Emily Fletcher Lecture Fund	229.00	
Whitney Playground	509.05	
Whitney Shade Tree	325.20	
Metcalf Monument Fund	42.50	
Town Common	290.72	
Publishing Town Reports	1,089.33	
Memorial Day	330.40	
Band Concerts	433.00	
Home Economics	10.00	
Outstanding Bills--1947	1,555.50	
Middlesex County Retirement System	1,384.00	

Cemetery:

Administration	\$ 212.50	
Labor	3,105.95	
Equipment	671.48	
Trees and Shrubs	249.00	
Fertilizer	105.70	
		\$ 4,344.63

All other for Cemeteries:

Perpetual Care	2,786.25	
Wilkins Lot	35.00	
Lot Sales	95.00	
		7,260.88
Dog Licenses	929.80	
State Taxes	747.79	
County Taxes	8,034.79	

Refunds:

Real Estate	104.58
Motor Vehicle Excise	100.90
1947 Poll Taxes	8.00

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Retirement		2,217.12
Withholding		11,480.34
Total Expenditures		\$360,321.31
Balance on Hand December 31, 1948		97,998.01
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		\$458,319.32

TOWN OF WESTFORD — BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1948

ASSETS

Cash:		
In Banks and office		\$ 97,998.01
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1947:		
Real Estate	\$ 2,403.55	\$ 2,403.55
Levy of 1948:		
Poll	12.00	
Personal	572.25	
Real Estate	11,511.57	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		12,095.82
Levy of 1948	272.86	272.86
Tax Titles		1,083.98
Tax Possessions		1,453.31
Departmental:		
Temporary Aid	1,016.93	
Aid Dependent Children	468.00	
Old Age Assistance	394.14	
Cemetery	196.00	
Highway		2,075.07
County Tax		2,428.55
Perpetual Care		557.01
		<u>25.00</u>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Trust Fund Income:		
Whitney Playground	21.25	
Whitney Shade Tree	48.11	
Metcalf Monument	20.00	
Cemeteries	36.92	
Library	93.42	\$ 219.70
Due County—Dog Taxes		250.20
Sale of Lots		193.54
Tailings		136.55
Unexpended Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance	.02	
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	96.85	
Aid Dependent Children	2.51	
Aid Dependent Children, Adm.	90.99	190.37
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		5,347.12
Overlay Reserved for Abating:		
Levy of 1947	585.51	
Levy of 1948	538.90	1,124.41
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	171.94	
Tax Titles and Possessions	2,603.18	
Departmental	2,069.07	
Highway—State	2,126.68	
Old Age Assistance, Recovery		
Account	1,000.00	7,970.87

Unexpended Appropriation Bal-

ances:

Fire Insurance	359.26
New Fire House	2,780.25
Power Grader	14.60
Highway Equipment	13.92
Machinery Fund	3,703.00
Reconstruction — Town Farm	
Road	4,000.00
School Facility	
Planning Board	600.00
Celebrating Veterans	1,000.00
Surplus Revenue	12,471.03
	92,489.37

\$120,393.16

\$120,393.16

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash & Securities:
Principal

\$ 62,004.19	Whitney Shade Tree Fund	\$ 2,500.00
	Library Trust Fund	12,706.08
	Fred Burbeck Library Fund	1,000.00
	Fletcher Lecture Fund	2,000.00
	Metcalf Monument Fund	1,300.00
	Wilkins Cemetery Fund	1,413.11
	Whitney Playground Fund	10,000.00
	Cemetery Perp. Care Fund	31,085.00
		62,004.19

Income

9,433.56

Whitney Shade Tree Income	336.51
Library Trust Fund Income	457.63
Fletcher Trust Fund Income	348.80
Metcalf Monument Fund Income	586.00
Metcalf Monument Fund Income	586.40
Wilkins Fund Income	255.32
Whitney Playground Fund Inc.	411.97
Cemetery Perp. Care Fund Inc.	7,036.93

9,433.56

REPORT OF STATE AUDITOR

TOWN OF WESTFORD—BALANCE SHEET—JULY 26, 1948

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash:		Withholding Taxes	\$ 205.20
In Banks and Office		Retirement Deductions	90.18
Accounts Receivable:	\$ 41,754.46	Due State:	
Taxes:		Parks and Reservations	\$ 246.09
Levy of 1946:		Audit Municipal Accounts	459.40
Real Estate	248.98	Due County:	
Levy of 1947:		County Tax	7,520.08
Personal Property	26.00	Dog Licenses	211.00
Real Estate	3,479.87	Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	7,731.08
Levy of 1948:		Road Machinery Fund	167.04
Poll	406.00	Trust Fund Income:	1,982.50
Personal Property	18,721.20	Whitney Shade Tree Fund	63.31
Real Estate	132,656.28	Tailings	136.55
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Ex.:		Unexpended Federal Grants:	
Levy of 1947	4.00	Aid to Dependent Children—	
Levy of 1948	2,566.54	Aid	\$ 101.09
Tax Titles	417.57	Aid to Dependent Children—	
Tax Possessions	2,106.69	Administration	43.22
Departmental:		Old Age Assistance—	
Health	188.57	Assistance	1,651.71
Temporary Aid	1,026.33	Old Age Assistance—	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,122.09	Administration	341.19
Old Age Assistance	3,057.07		
			2,137.21

Infirmary -----	526.30	Appropriation Balances -----	162,576.93
Cemetery -----	225.00	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	5,350.98
State Aid to Highways:	6,145.36	Overlays Reserved for Abate-	
Chapter 81 -----	18,225.00	ments:	
Chapter 90 -----	500.00	Levy of 1947 ----- \$	619.51
County Aid to Highways	500.00	Levy of 1948 -----	1,441.24
Estimated Receipts to be Col. -----	49,305.03		2,060.75
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
		Motor Vehicle and Trailer	
		Excise ----- \$	2,570.54
		Tax Titles & Tax Possessions	2,524.26
		Departmental -----	6,145.36
		State & County Aid to High-	
		ways -----	19,225.00
		Surplus Revenue -----	30,465.16
			63,440.60
			<u>\$277,062.98</u>
			<u><u>\$277,062.98</u></u>

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:
Principal -----
Income -----

TRUST FUNDS

\$ 62,024.19
10,252.76

Whitney Shade Tree Fund ----- \$ 2,500.00
Library Trust Funds ----- 13,706.08
Emily Fletcher Library Lecture
Fund ----- 2,000.00
Whitney Playground Fund ----- 10,000.00
Metcalf Monument Fund ----- 1,300.00
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery
Fund ----- 1,413.11
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds ----- \$ 62,024.19
31,105.00

Whitney Shade Tree Fund In-
come ----- \$ 662.80
Library Trust Fund Income ----- 753.02
Emily Fletcher Library Lecture
Fund Income ----- 554.64
Whitney Playground Fund In-
come ----- 481.13
Metcalf Monument Fund Income
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery
Fund Income ----- 252.75
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds
Income ----- 6,952.51
10,252.76

\$ 72,276.95

\$ 72,276.95

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The Board of Fire Engineers submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1948.

The various Companies responded to 31 alarms other than Forest Fires, namely: 5 house, 4 false alarms, 1 out of town, 4 car fires, 4 chimney, 2 barns, 5 dumps, 1 camp, 1 shed, 2 oil burners, 1 rubbish, 1 transformer and 26 forest or grass fires, making a total of 57 calls answered.

Again we wish to express our appreciation to Robert Spinner and his helpers for giving their time so unselfishly in operating the ambulance. They responded to 81 calls during the year and most of these were to hospitals.

The Forge Village truck was completed and put back in service this year. We now have three good pumping engines; one 600-gallon at Westford Center, 600-gallon at Graniteville and a 500-gallon at Forge Village. This meets all the requirements of the Underwriter's to keep the town on a Class "C" rating.

The new Fire House in Graniteville was completed and is now in use and the old house has been turned over to the Selectmen for disposal. We feel that the contractor did a very good job and the Town should be proud of the Station.

The Westford house was painted, one coat on the outside and the downstairs was painted inside. This being the first time it was ever done it made a big improvement to the station.

The Fire trucks now are all in fair condition, but it should be kept in mind that at present we have a 1930 Ford, two 1933 Chevrolet, also a 1934 Chevrolet. Some kind of a program should be started to replace these one at a time and not wait until they give out completely.

The money asked for in the warrant under article for gas masks, is because of a state law passed last July which becomes effective July 1949 and requires that two masks, oxygen breathing, must be carried on all trucks that respond to house fires. It is necessary for all trucks to answer house alarms, especially outside the water district for the water that they carry. At present we have three of these masks one on each of the large pumpers and we feel that we are amply protected, but by this new law we must ask for eleven additional.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND D. ROGERS
HAROLD E. WRIGHT
RICHARD W. HALL

Board of Fire Engineers.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Balance on hand January 1, 1948	\$ 89,794.08
Total receipts to December 31, 1948	368,525.24
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	\$458,319.32
Balance on hand December 31, 1948	\$ 97,998.01
Total payments to December 31, 1948	360,321.31
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	\$458,319.32

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLOTTE P. GREIG,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

Following is the report of the Forest Warden for the year ending December 31, 1948:

The Forest Warden listened to the usual number of excuses why fires were lighted without permits.

I am asking \$1,300.00 for the usual expenses of this Department for 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO R. LARKIN, Forest Warden.

DEPUTIES

Reginald Blowey
Thomas Curley
Richard W. Hall
Hubert V. Raymond

Edmund D. Rogers
Robert J. Spinner
Harold E. Wright
Elmer Brown

REPORT OF THE FISH AND GAME WARDEN

The following list shows the number of fish and game liberated in the Town of Westford for the year nineteen hundred and forty-eight:

PHEASANTS

8-25-'48—48, 12 weeks

8-17-'48—48, 12 weeks

8-14-'48—50, 12 weeks

4-12-'48—25, adults

TROUT

3-25-'48—Long Sought For—600 Brown—9 inches

4-24-'48—Nashoba Brook—300 Rainbow—2 years old

5-17-'48—Snake Meadow Brook—500 Brook—6"-8"

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND L. PROVOST,

Game Warden.

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

No money was spent on the Town Forest in the year 1948, but the Committee feel that in 1949 we should start setting young pine on that part of the forest located around Baptist Pond.

We also plan to remove some of the lower branches from the young pine on that part of the forest located on Forge Village Road.

We are asking the Town to appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) for the use of this Committee in 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED R. BLODGETT

EDWIN H. GOULD

WILLIAM E. WRIGHT

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

As Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Westford, I submit the following report for the year 1948:

Number of Platform Scales over 10,000 lbs.	3
Number of Platform Scales under 5,000 lbs.	24
Number of Counter Scales over 100 lbs.	10
Number of Counter scales under 100 lbs.	17
Number of Spring Scales under 100 lbs.	18
Number of Spring Scales over 100 lbs.	9
Number of Computing Scales under 100 lbs.	12
Number of Avoirdupois Weights Sealed	88
Number of Gasoline Meter Systems Sealed	16
Number of Kerosene Pumps Sealed	3
Number of Grease Measuring Devices Sealed	1
Total	202

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT A. HILDRETH,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

I hereby submit my report as Tree Warden of the Town of Westford:

The work during the past year has consisted of removal of dead trees and limbs. Although some cavity work has been done, a considerable amount of tree surgery will be necessary in the near future if we are to save some of our larger shade trees, as well as some of the younger trees which have been injured by ice storms and other causes.

Due to hurricane losses and necessary removal, there are a great many vacant places along the highways which would be more attractive if shade trees were planted.

Therefore I suggest that the sum of \$800.00 be appropriated, to be divided as follows: \$600.00 for the work of the tree warden, and \$200.00 for the planting of shade trees.

Respectfully submitted,

W. KENNETH WRIGHT.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948

Value of Buildings January 1, 1948	\$2,700,930.00
Value of Land January 1, 1948	811,099.00
Value of Personal Property January 1, 1948	427,785.00
 Total Valuation	 \$3,939,814.00

APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1948

Annual Town Meeting March 6, 1948	\$ 303,814.06
State Taxes	705.49
County Taxes	9,228.24
1948 Overlay Fund	1,912.58

Total Amount To Be Raised	\$ 315,660.37
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$ 134,442.19
Total Amount to be Raised on Polls and Property	\$ 181,218.18
Total Excise Commitments	\$ 11,370.81

Tax Rate \$45.40 Per Thousand

Number of Polls	1,175
Number of Horses	51
Number of Cows	352
Number of Neat Cattle	46
Number of Swine	276
Number of Sheep and Goats	47
Number of Fowl	38,088
Number of Mink	40
Number of Acres of Land	18,000
Number of Dwelling Houses	1,183

ABATEMENTS

	Polls	Property	Excise
1946	—	\$ 3.86	—
1947	\$ 8.00	74.64	\$ 4.98
1948	70.00	1,303.77	249.19

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR B. DALY,
JOHN J. O'CONNELL,
CARROLL J. ROLLINS,

Assessors of Westford.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my report as Tax Collector for the Town of Westford for the year ending Dec. 31, 1948.

Any questions in regard to the assessments of taxes should be presented to the Board of Assessors.

		Outstanding Amount Dec. 31, 1948
Warrant dated:		
May 24, 1946 Poll	\$ 2.00	—
July 23, 1946 Real Estate	1,826.40	—
Nov. 26, 1946 Real Estate	7.02	—
June 26, 1947 Real Estate	9,809.80	2,403.55
Dec. 16, 1947 Real Estate	147.20	—
June 26, 1947 Personal Property	230.20	—
Dec. 16, 1947 Personal Property	172.00	—
May 12, 1947 Poll	8.00	—
Dec. 16, 1947 Poll	10.00	—
July 11, 1947 Excise	4.53	—
Sept. 19, 1947 Excise	40.45	—
Sept. 29, 1947 Excise	46.99	—
Oct. 10, 1947 Excise	4.00	—
Oct. 31, 1947 Excise	14.65	—
Dec. 10, 1947 Excise	187.75	—
Dec. 29, 1947 Excise	160.88	—
1947 Excise Tax Committed Jan. 23, 1948	31.05	—
April 8, 1948 Poll	2,350.00	12.00
Dec. 8, 1948 Poll	16.00	—
May 18, 1948 Real Estate	159,446.62	11,395.64
Dec. 8, 1948 Real Estate	204.30	133.93
May 18, 1948 Personal Property	19,421.56	549.55
Dec. 8, 1948 Personal Property	38.59	22.70
Feb. 9, 1948 Excise	539.51	—
Feb. 27, 1948 Excise	2,618.67	21.88
April 12, 1948 Excise	2,438.44	3.81
April 15, 1948 Excise	485.14	—
May 11, 1948 Excise	952.31	—
May 9, 1948 Excise	627.40	—
June 4, 1948 Excise	1,314.12	11.15
July 15, 1948 Excise	945.82	4.00
Sept. 13, 1948 Excise	287.54	2.00

Oct. 20, 1948 Excise	574.39	34.11
Nov. 17, 1948 Excise	348.77	67.69
Dec. 8, 1948 Excise	192.22	86.38
Dec. 27, 1948 Excise	46.48	39.72
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Total Warrants	\$205,550.80	
Total Outstanding Dec. 31, 1948		\$ 14,788.11

DAVID I. OLSSON,

Tax Collector.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD BOARD OF HEALTH

The Westford Board of Health submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1948:

The Westford Board of Health organized in March with Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Chairman, Dwight W. Cowles, M.D., Secretary and Ralph E. Cole, M.D. as the third member.

There have been no dental clinics this year because the place where these clinics were usually held was not available.

The milk situation was very capably supervised by the agent. There has been no case of disease traced to milk delivered in the town of Westford in the past twenty-eight years.

Inspection of liquor establishments have been made and, as in past years, conditions have been found to be good.

Diphtheria and vaccination clinics have been well attended. There has been no case of Diphtheria reported since we started the immunizations about twenty years ago. There have also been no cases of Typhoid Fever, Typhus, or Malaria reported in that period of time.

Various nuisances were reported and taken care of satisfactorily without any difficulty.

On the whole the town of Westford is in a very healthy condition.

The work of the public health nurse has been co-operative and very efficient as shown by her report to follow.

The report of the animal inspector shows a great amount of capable work. A great deal of his time is required in quarantining dogs for dog bites.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRIL A. BLANEY, M.D.

DWIGHT W. COWLES, M.D.

RALPH E. COLE, M.D.

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

January 31, 1949

Cyril A. Blaney, M.D.
Chairman, Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the Public Health Nurse from January 1 to December 31, 1948:

Absentees from school visited in their homes	144
Children taken home from school because of illness	27
Children taken to school physician	51
Contagious disease cases visited	91
Home visits	280
To Dr. Cole's office for treatment	1
To Crippled Children's Clinic at St. John's Hospital	6
To Speech Clinic at St. John's Hospital	3
To St. John's Eye Clinic	27
To Physicians' Optical Co.	8
To Hospitals for Tonsil and Adenoid Operations	3
To Lowell General Pediatric Clinic	2
To General Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	2
To St. Joseph's Hospital for treatment	1
To St. John's Hospital Skin Clinic	4
To Mass. General Orthopedic Clinic	1
To Lahey Clinic	2
To Mass. Memorial Hospital for treatment	1
To Chelsea Naval Hospital for treatment	1
To Mt. Auburn Hospital to be admitted	1
To Cushing General Hospital to be admitted	1
To Gardner State Hospital to be admitted	1
State and Welfare cases taken to dentist	11
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for treatment	49
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for X-ray	24
To Lowell Board of Health for patch test	7
To Lowell Board of Health for chest X-ray	4
To State Health Office, Ayer for Audiometer Test	1
Board of Health Meetings attended	5
Attended New England Health Conference at Amherst	
Milk Specimens collected and taken to Laboratory	
Diphtheria Immunization Clinics Conducted by Board of Health:	

Number of Inoculations, three injections each	30
Booster doses	32
Vaccination Clinic Conducted by Board of Health:	
Number of children vaccinated	30
Contagious Diseases reported to Westford Board of Health:	
Anterior Poliomyelitis	1
Chicken Pox	2
Dog Bite	16
German Measles	3
Measles	56
Mumps	26
Scarlet Fever	1
Whooping Cough	13

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HEALY, R.N.

EXPENDITURES HEALTH DEPARTMENT—1948

Administration:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 111.00
All Other	68.87
Nurse, Salary	2,100.00

Auto:

Upkeep	348.68
Insurance	56.28
Milk. Inspections and Samples	57.00
Other Inspections	147.00
Clinics	307.78
All Other	34.05
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	\$ 3,230.66
Balance	769.34

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Cattle Inspector	\$ 200.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	1,651.38

RECEIPTS HEALTH DEPARTMENT—1948

Milk Dealers' Permits	\$	15.00
Oleomargarine Permits		3.50
Permits to Manufacture Ice Cream		15.00
Camp Licenses		1.50
	<u>\$</u>	<u>35.00</u>

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

February 3, 1949.

Dr. C. A. Blaney

Chairman, Westford Board of Health

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the Inspector of Animals from January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948:

Quarantining 16 dogs for dog bites	32 visits
Inspecting barns and animals, No. of Barns	56
No. of Cows 2 years old and older	234
Heifers 1-2 years	107
Heifers 1 year	36
Bulls	17
Horses	39
Pigs	737
Sheep	31
Steers	4
Goats	12
Inspecting Cattle shipped in out of State	103

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. BLODGETT

Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

TEMPORARY AID

Appropriated	\$ 16,525.00
Transferred	850.00
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Total	\$ 17,375.00
Expended:	
Infirmary	\$ 10,922.86
Temporary Aid	6,245.06
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Total	17,167.92
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Balance	\$ 207.08

The present case load on Temporary Aid is five cases which include seven persons. Three Westford-settled cases have been at Tewksbury State Infirmary during the year and the rate of board there is \$13.30 per week for each case. Three children are being cared for by the Division of Child Guardianship amounting to \$411.48.

Seven inmates are being cared for at our Town Infirmary. Four of these are boarded by the Town of Chelmsford. The rate of board charged is \$12.00 a week.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriated	\$ 2,000.00
Transferred	250.00
Federal Grants Received	1,766.75
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Total	\$ 4,016.75
Expended	4,014.24
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Balance	\$ 2.51
Federal Administration Received	90.99
Federal Administration Spent	<hr/>
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Balance	\$ 90.99
Amount Received from State	\$ 1,442.01

Aid to Dependent Children is given to widows with minor children or incapacitated parents of minor children. Reimbursement from the Federal Government has increased to \$27.00 a month for the first child and \$18.00 a month for each additional child, plus \$3.00 a month added for each child. The state pays one-third of the total amount spent.

The monthly case load is as follows:

January, 4 families, 13 children.

February, March, April, 3 families, 10 children.

May through December, 3 families, 9 children.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$ 17,600.00	
Transferred	2,650.00	
Refunds	273.77	
Federal Grants Received	14,834.38	
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Total		\$ 35,358.15
Expended		35,358.13
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Federal Administration Received	\$ 871.87	
Federal Administration Spent	775.02	
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Balance		\$ 96.85
Reimbursement—State	\$ 11,604.90	
Reimbursement—Other Towns	326.59	

An 8.3% increase was given on cash grants in October, 1948. Payments were also changed so that all recipients are now paid two weeks in advance. The federal government reimburses one-half up to \$50.00 and an added \$5.00 each case per month. The state still pays two-thirds of the remainder. The following is the monthly case load for 1948:

January	56	April	55	July	55	October	58
February	56	May	54	August	56	November	58
March	56	June	54	September	56	December	58

Respectfully submitted,

EILEEN McGLINCHEY,

Agent.

INFIRMARY DEBITS

Superintendent's Salary	\$ 1,700.00
Employee's Wages	984.00
Provisions	1,417.42
Clothing and Dry Goods	95.12
Medical	18.00

Eye Glasses	12.00
Tobacco	37.19
Telephone	79.21
Gas and Electricity	246.15
Household Supplies	45.45
Food Locker	140.10
Oil and Coal	392.22
Gasoline	323.26
Grain and Feed	4,238.52
Veterinary	33.00
Fertilizer	19.50
Seed	27.05
Pasturizing	30.00
Egg Boxes	14.55
Sawdust and Shavings	30.70
Slaughtering	85.35
Chicks	60.55
Water Bills	86.10
Beef	126.91
Hay Hoister	86.80
Supplies	229.49
Repairs	231.89
Insurance	64.78
Appraisers	15.00
Blacksmith	36.00
Miscellaneous	16.55
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Total	\$ 10,922.86

INFIRMARY CREDITS

Milk	\$ 6,057.94
Eggs	1,093.28
Potatoes	182.92
Asparagus	104.75
Corn	171.61
Other Vegetables	9.78
Fowl	185.75
Calves	63.00
Teaming	525.15
Hay	41.30
Silage	17.00
Bull Service	10.00
Telephone .....	.50
Bags	94.92

Sawing Wood	64.00	
Inmates Board	169.55	
Board (Chelmsford)	2,810.76	
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Total		\$ 11,602.21
Wood	\$ 28.00	
Board and Care-Inmates	1,786.00	
Meals in Lockup	21.00	
Clothing, Tobacco, and Medical	150.31	
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		\$ 1,985.31

WESTFORD INFIRMARY APPRAISAL
DEC. 18, 1948

STOCK AND FARM EQUIPMENT

1	Buck Rake	\$ 100.00
2	12 Cords Manure	100.00
3	One Manure Spreader	100.00
4	2-One Horse Hay Rakes	60.00
5	One Sulky Plow	45.00
6	One Two-Horse Disc Harrow	35.00
7	One Potato Digger	65.00
8	Four Wagons and Two Sleds	75.00
9	One Tip Cart	75.00
10	Lumber	300.00
11	One Drag (Steel Head)	8.00
12	One Lime Spreader	25.00
13	One Power Sprayer	35.00
14	One Two-Horse Corn Planter	50.00
15	One Two-Horse Cultivator	27.00
16	One Hay Tedder	40.00
17	One Tractor Harrow	65.00
18	One Spring Tooth Harrow	10.00
19	One Smoothing Harrow	3.00
20	One Seedsower and Weeder	35.00
21	Two One-Horse Cultivators	10.00
22	Two Walking Plows	15.00
23	One Two-Horse Hoe	10.00
24	One Ford Tractor	800.00
25	One Tractor Plow	100.00
26	One Tractor Pulley	30.00
27	One Tractor Cultivator	135.00
28	One Root Cutter	5.00
29	Blacksmith Tools	20.00
30	One Feed Cooker	5.00
31	One Galvanized Tank	5.00
32	One Saw Frame and Two Saws	40.00
33	One Gas Tank and Gasoline	17.00
34	One Two-Horse Mowing Machine	100.00
35	Two Swine	125.00
36	Wood	180.00
37	135 Laying Hens	337.50
38	Milk Room and Milking Equipment	650.00

39	Thirteen Cows	3,070.00
40	One Steer	70.00
41	One Bull	220.00
42	Two Heifer Calves	65.00
43	One Bull Calf	40.00
44	Grain	63.00
45	Forty Tons Ensilage	400.00
46	80 Grain Bags	16.00
47	One Corn Harvester	100.00
48	One Ensilage Cutter	125.00
49	One One-Horse Corn Planter	15.00
50	Three Wheel Barrows	15.00
51	One Motor Truck	300.00
52	Harness and Blankets	70.00
53	Two Horses	200.00
54	One-Horse Hay Fork, Hoist and Motor	195.00
55	Thirty Tons Hay	700.00
56	Fence Posts and Insulators	10.00
57	Grindstone, Motor and Scythe Grinder	35.00
58	Chains, Whiffletrees and Eveners	35.00
59	Farm Tools	100.00
60	Block and Tackle	7.50
61	Snow Plow	5.00
62	One Extension and Three Step Ladders	15.00
63	One Planet Junior Seeder	10.00
64	Three Chicken Crates	5.00
65	One Gas Stove	3.00
66	Two Cross-Cut Saws	7.50
67	Garden Hose and Lawn Mower	12.00
68	Carpenter's Tools	35.00
69	Fire Hose and Nozzle	56.00
70	Work Shop Material	10.00
71	One Electric Drill	30.00
72	Brooder Equipment	30.00
73	Soft Coal	195.00
74	Milk Separator	65.00
75	Platform Scales	15.00
76	90 Gallons Fuel Oil	13.50
77	20 Gallons Motor Oil	15.00
78	13 Bags Fertilizer	13.10
79	Shavings and Sawdust	25.00
80	Three Dusters	35.00
<hr/> Total		\$ 10,284.00

HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT

1	Superintendent's Furniture	\$	350.00
2	Kitchen and Pantry		675.00
3	Inmates' Furniture		375.00
4	Contents of Attic		60.00
5	Canned Goods and Empty Jars		136.00
6	Provisions		370.00
7	Potatoes		135.00
8	Blankets, Sheets and Towels		130.00
9	Dry Goods		35.00
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Total		\$	2,266.00
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Grand Total		\$	12,550.00

The appraisers found things at the Infirmary in exceptionally fine condition, indicating the care Mr. and Mrs. Connell have shown.

MARYGEN SOCHA,

GEORGE S. WILDER, Clerk,

CHARLES A. BLODGETT,

Appraisers.

REPORT OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

The Middlesex County Extension Service is a county organization maintained to serve the various towns of the county especially in the field of agriculture and home economics.

The agricultural work in Westford this year was very varied with requests being made by the dairymen, poultrymen, and fruit growers. In poultry many requests were received and assistance given in flock management and disease control. Organized work was carried on largely with the Middlesex County Poultry Association an organization to which many Westford poultrymen belong. Twilight meetings of interest to fruit growers were held throughout the County and attended by many of the orchardists. Many dairymen belong to a Selective Breeding Association which is maintained to assist farmers of high quality livestock.

A freezing demonstration at the Nabnasset locker plant in conjunction with the Middlesex County Extension Service stirred up a desire for information on food and nutrition. A series of three food buying meetings on "Weekly Order", "Protein Foods", and "Grain and Cereal Products" was presented and the women considered it worth while. A series of meetings on clothing construction was conducted during the year as well as a meeting on the Making of Christmas Gifts. Much organization work has been started in town with the result that several meetings are being planned of interest to homemakers in all three villages.

Boys and girls 4-H activities in clothing, canning, food preparation, home furnishing, child care, handicraft, and agriculture were carried on during the year. The clubs were under the leadership of Mrs. Willard Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mann, Mrs. Mary Van Norden, Mrs. G. H. Madden, Miss Natalie Hart, Peter Perry, and Merton Bozoian, Miss Ethel Cleary, Mrs. Maurice Rooks, Mrs. Harold Hersfield, Mr. Harold Hersfield, Mr. James Elliott, Mr. Peter Perry acted as Middlesex Camp Director and Mrs. Peter Perry was Music Supervisor. Edwin Nixon and Donald Warp attended camp as counselors.

4-H boys and girls who attended camp were Herbert Holmes, Robert Randall, Ronald Koning, Philip Mann, Bruce Graves, Joan

MacLeod, Beverly Kimball, Teena Kimball, Shirley Mountain, Lawrence Alcorn, Health-H winner, Murry Alcorn, New-Spirit first week and Old-Spirit second week, Harry Best, Jr., Health-H winner and Betty Morgan, Heart-H winner.

Edwin Nixon, poultry major and Russell Decatur, Tractor Maintenance Major were chosen to attend the First State Congress held in Worcester.

One of the biggest honors that can come to a club member was awarded to Edwin Nixon on his excellent 4-H club work, covering a period of more than seven years. He represented Massachusetts at the National 4-H Club Congress held in Chicago. He also represented Massachusetts in the Inter-State Poultry Judging Contest held at the Boston Poultry Show. He has won numerous prizes on his egg displays at Boston, Worcester and at the County Fair. He was president of the organization that sponsored the County 4-H Fair this year.

Murray Alcorn, who represented the County at State Boys' Day, was recognized by the Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture on his livestock work and was given a cash award. Keith Fletcher was awarded a Bailey Medal on his excellent garden work. Pauline Prescott was awarded a Second and Fifth on her canning at the County Fair.

MRS. WARREN NIXON, Director.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD WATER COMPANY

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1948	\$209,068.55
Additions during year 1948	9,712.86
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	\$218,781.41

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

January 1, 1948, to December 31, 1948

(Cash basis)

RECEIPTS

Hydrants	\$ 4,365.00	
Public Buildings, Playgrounds, etc.	497.64	
Subscribers	17,788.41	
Service	2,034.68	
Sundry Receipts	25.00	
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		\$ 24,710.73

EXPENSES

Wages and Salaries	\$ 5,763.94	
Expense Account, and Supplies	2,501.37	
Electric Power and Light	2,342.80	
Taxes	3,497.67	
Service	3,428.07	
Depreciation	3,466.69	
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		\$ 21,000.54
Net operating profit		\$ 3,710.19
Receipts of Interest from Government Bonds, etc.	\$ 457.65	
Less Interest paid on Bank Loans	292.91	
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	\$ 164.74	
Receipts from sale of Pipe	990.92	
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		\$ 1,155.66
Net Gain for the year		\$ 4,865.85

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

Westford, Massachusetts

February 9, 1949

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss.

Then personally appeared William R. Taylor and made oath that the above is a true statement of the cost of construction of the Westford Water Company to December 31, 1948, and of the Receipts and Expenditures from January 1, 1948, to December 31, 1948, before me.

PERRY T. SNOW, Notary Public.

My Commission Expires October 24, 1952.

REPORT OF WESTFORD PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE—1948

The members of the Playground Committee are pleased to report that they have faithfully endeavored to discharge the duties and responsibilities placed upon them. Under their supervision the caretaker of the playgrounds, Mr. John S. Peterson has done an excellent job in caring for the lawns and shrubbery as well as the baseball field and tennis court. We commend him for the personal interest and pride in his work. Attention to the shade trees on Depot St. being part of our responsibility, we have in connection with the Tree Warden had the trees sprayed as required. Also we have removed two dead trees and treated others by removal of dead branches and pruning. This was done on the advice of a competent tree surgeon. More of this work of tree surgery should be done in the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. HILDRETH
JOHN FISHER
MORRIS A. HALL

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The Cemetery Commissioners submit the following report for the year 1948.

We were able to procure sufficient labor to keep the Cemeteries in good condition.

The shade trees that were allowed for Fairview were planted and are doing well. We are in hopes to have more for the coming year.

SEBASTIAN B. WATSON
FRED R. BLODGETT
AXEL G. LUNDBURG

Cemetery Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EMILY F. FLETCHER LECTURE FUND

On the afternoon and evening of November 8th the above fund enabled its trustees to give rare pleasure and outstanding entertainment to large Westford audiences of children and adults when they presented Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland P. Grant in two programs of beautiful colored motion pictures showing birds and animals.

The afternoon entertainment at 2:15 in Abbot Hall, Forge Village gave the school children to the number of 280, a delightful treat as the story of Abner, a cocker spaniel, taken by the Grants on a bird filming trip across the Great Plains was told in story and pictures.

In the evening at the Town Hall an audience of 150 people from Westford and Lowell heard Mr. Grant give "Adventures in color with American birds and big game". He was introduced by Miss Howard who gave something of the life of Miss Emily F. Fletcher and pictures of her were shown on the screen by Miss Day. A recent letter from Mrs. Grant spoke of the appreciative reception given them.

Fee and expenses of Mr. Grant	\$225.00
Receipts from the lectures	50.93
Minor expenses	46.93
4 bus drivers	\$24.00
Town Hall	5.00
Tadmuck Club lantern	1.00
High school lantern	5.00
Tax	10.18
Emily F. Fletcher pictures	1.75
Returned to the fund	\$ 4.00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR

ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary

MAY E. DAY

JOHN T. CONRAD

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

The Finance Committee has held the customary meetings and given all the articles in the warrant careful consideration and recommend the appropriation of the various sums as tabulated below:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT—5.97%

Article	Appropriation	Average Expenses 1945-1947	Expenses 1948	Am't Asked for 1949	Recom- mended for 1949
3- 1	Selectmen	\$ 861.46	\$ 919.90	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	License Expense	65.67	82.83	100.00	100.00
	Accountant	1,160.68	1,160.15	1,175.00	1,175.00
	Treasurer	1,800.00	2,210.15	2,230.00	2,230.00
	Assessors	1,510.29	1,758.37	1,800.00	1,800.00
	Tax Collector	1,717.88	2,108.36	2,100.00	2,100.00
	Tax Title	633.96	274.50	700.00	700.00
	Town Counsel	266.67	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Town Clerk	553.17	707.23	850.00	850.00
	Election and Registration	1,241.52	2,319.68	1,200.00	1,200.00
21	Assessors-Survey and Maps			500.00	500.00
23	Town Accountant-Adding Machine			200.00	
3- 2	Town Hall	3,184.15	3,546.53	3,981.68	3,981.00
22	Repairs to Town Hall			800.00	800.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY—9.35%

	POLICE				
3- 3	General Expenses	7,031.16	8,879.14	9,504.65	9,200.00
25	New Car			950.00	950.00

Article	Appropriation	Average Expenses 1945-1947	Expenses 1948	Am't Asked for 1949	Recom- mended for 1949
	FIRE				
3- 4	Permanent Man	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	General Expense	6,851.32	8,089.14	8,000.00	7,500.00
19	Purchase of Fire Hose		650.00	675.00	675.00
41	Purchase of Gas Masks			2,090.00	
3- 5	Hydrants	3,309.90	4,365.00	4,365.00	4,365.00
3- 6	Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
3- 7	Fish and Game Warden	75.00	75.00	75.00	
3- 8	Forest Fires	1,380.23	1,496.75	1,300.00	1,300.00
3- 9	Town Forest			100.00	100.00
3-10	Tree Warden	460.05	486.10	600.00	600.00
3-11	Moth Department	874.99	1,016.36	1,700.00	900.00
	HEALTH AND SANITATION—2.06%				
3-12	Board of Health	3,234.92	3,230.66	4,000.00	4,000.00
3-13	Cattle Inspection	150.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
20	Tuberculosis Hospital	1,375.78	1,651.38	1,574.72	1,574.72
	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT—13.99%				
3-14	Snow and Ice Removal	8,937.75	13,267.30	8,000.00	8,000.00
	Town Roads	681.23	873.20	3,000.00	3,000.00
3-26	Street Lights	6,944.92	6,979.20	7,247.00	7,247.00
	Chapter 81	10,125.00	10,125.00	10,125.00	10,125.00
6	Chapter 90	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
9	Equipment	1,843.36	483.02	285.08	285.08
12	Chapter 90 Construction (Groton Road)	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00

Article	Appropriation	Average Expenses 1945-1947	Expenses 1948	Am't Asked for 1949	Recom- mended for 1949
13	Chapter 90 Construction (Town Farm Road)	—	—	1,000.00	1,000.00
14	Tractor	—	—	4,374.50	4,374.50
15	Snow Spreaders and Plows	—	—	1,190.00	1,190.00
17	Signs	—	—	1,000.00	500.00
18	Sidewalks	487.05	477.14	500.00	500.00
CHARITIES—14.59%					
3-15	Old Age	16,059.46	17,873.77	20,500.00	20,500.00
	Aid to Dependent Children	3,449.47	2,000.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
	Temporary Aid	14,930.74	17,167.92	17,600.00	17,600.00
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS—1.07%					
3-16	Soldiers' Benefits	1,304.26	888.77	3,000.00	3,000.00
SCHOOLS—46.53%					
3-17	School Department	93,683.81	119,501.53	128,995.00	128,995.00
3-18	Vocational Tuition	808.20	325.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
LIBRARY—1.28%					
3-19	Public Library	2,866.67	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
RECREATION—0.36%					
3-20	Care of Common	300.00	290.72	300.00	300.00
7	Whitney Playground	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
8	Band Concerts	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00

UNCLASSIFIED—3.36%

Article	Appropriation	Average Expenses 1945-1947	Expenses 1948	Am't Asked for 1949	Recom- mended for 1949
3-21	Memorial Day	265.99	330.40	400.00	400.00
3-22	Town Reports	697.65	1,089.33	1,100.00	1,100.00
3-23	Insurance Fire and Other	3,013.29	3,911.34	3,900.00	3,900.00
3-27	Finance Board	2,892.29	2,018.45	4,000.00	4,000.00
3-27	Finance Board Expense	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
3-28	Outstanding Bills	1,947.60	1,555.50		
10	Extension Service	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00

CEMETERIES—1.43%

3-25	Salaries and Wages	3,043.00	3,690.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
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MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST—0.01%

3-24	Internal Revenue Loans			25.00	25.00
	State and County Taxes			\$284,857.63	\$280,387.30
	Estimated Receipts				12,000.00
	Amount to be Raised by Taxes				\$292,387.30
					122,000.00
					\$170,387.30

- Art. 4. It is recommended that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue.
- Art. 5. The Finance Board recommends this article.
- Art. 9. The Finance Board recommends the transfer of funds from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.
- Art. 11. It is recommended that the gift from Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc. be accepted, and that a vote of appreciation be extended to the donors.
- Art. 16. In the event that the town votes to purchase two new snow mold boards under Article 15, it is recommended that the selectmen be authorized to sell the two used snow mold boards, and it is also recommended that the motor driven pump referred to, be sold.
- Art. 23. The Finance Board does not recommend the purchase of a new adding machine if the one now in use can be satisfactorily reconditioned.
- Art. 26. In the event that the town votes to purchase a new car for the Police Department under Article 25, it is recommended that the selectmen be authorized to sell the car now in use.
- Art. 27. }
28. } The Finance Board cannot recommend these Articles as written because no information has been given
29. } relative to the number of street lights and hydrants requested.
30. }
- Art. 31. The Finance Board recommends the cutting back of 20 feet of the point of the common as recommended under this article.
- Art. 33. The Finance Board does not recommend this Article.
- Art. 34. The Finance Board recommends this Article.
- Art. 35. The Finance Board recommends participation in the Union Health District known as The Nashoba Associated Boards of Health from April 1st until the end of this year believing that the general welfare of the citizens would be benefited, and that it would be advisable to try this program out for the balance of the year.

Art. 36. This Article is not recommended because the Finance Board has been advised by the Town Counsel that the funds will be assessed to the town directly by the state.

Art. 38. The Finance Board has carefully considered the report of the School Planning Committee. The report of this committee requesting consideration for a new school is based on two contentions: First, that in the near future there will not be adequate space for the pupils; Second, that more adequate facilities are needed to meet the present day educational requirements.

The Finance Board does not agree with the figures relative to the future enrollment in the Academy as presented by the School Planning Committee. Their figures neglect to take into account the large number of students leaving the school each year. Past records indicate that there is a reduction in enrollment of at least 50% between the first grade and the senior class at the Academy.

The Finance Board recognizes that Westford should at some time have a new school to provide better facilities to get the type of instruction that is needed. The Finance Board believes, however, that it would be wise to wait for a year or so until building costs have come down. It is not necessary to build immediately.

Art. 39. The Finance Board does not recommend these Articles.

Art. 40.

If the above recommendations of the Finance Committee are adhered to the tax rate will approximate \$43.30 per thousand valuation. For every appropriation increase of \$1,000.00 the tax rate will increase approximately 25½ cents.

Respectfully submitted,

E. KENT ALLEN, Chairman

W. OTIS DAY

HERFORD N. ELLIOTT

EVERETT A. SCOTT

ALBERT H. FORTY

ALLISTER F. MacDOUGALL

TOWN OF WESTFORD WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Westford, in said County,

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, to notify and warn all the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections, and also in Town affairs, to meet at their several polling places, viz:

- PRECINCT 1. Town Hall, Westford Center
- PRECINCT 2. Abbot Hall, Graniteville
- PRECINCT 3. Nabnasset School, Brookside
- PRECINCT 4. Abbot Hall, Forge Village

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1949

being the first Monday in said month, at 12.00 o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes for the following officers:

Four members of Westford Housing Authority,

For Three Years

- One Selectman
- One Member of the Board of Public Welfare
- One Assessor
- Two Members of the School Committee
- One Member of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners
- One Trustee of the Public Library
- One Member of the Board of Health

For One Year

- One Constable
- One Tree Warden

All on one Ballot.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 8 P. M., and to meet in the Town Hall at Westford Center on the following

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1949

at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act upon the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Town Officers and Committees; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To determine the salary and compensation of elected officers and officials as provided by law.

ARTICLE 3. To appropriate money to meet the costs and expenses of the following departments, officers and purposes:

1. General Government
2. Town Hall
3. Police Department
4. Fire Department
5. Hydrants
6. Sealer of Weights and Measures
7. Fish and Game Warden
8. Forest Fires
9. Town Forest
10. Tree Warden
11. Moth Department
12. Health Department
13. Cattle Inspection
14. Highway Purposes
15. Department of Public Welfare
16. Soldiers' Benefits
17. School Department
18. Vocational tuition
19. Public Library
20. Care of Common
21. Commemoration of Memorial Day
22. Publishing of Town Reports
23. Fire and other insurance
24. Interest on Revenue Loans
25. Cemeteries
26. Street Lights
27. Finance Committee Reserve Fund
28. Unpaid bills of previous years.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway maintenance; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the care of the Whitney Playground; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (\$400.) Dollars, or some other sum, for Band Concerts during the current year; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a certain sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten (\$10.) Dollars and elect a Director, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 of Chapter 128 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift made to it during the year 1948 by the Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc.; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing Groton Road contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing the Town Farm Road and reconstructing, repairing or widening the Town Farm Road Bridge, all contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction, repairing or widening; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a tractor for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing two sand spreaders, two new snow mold boards and rocker arms, and other equipment for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell two used snow mold boards and one used motor driven pump now used by the Highway Department; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing road signs; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing five hundred feet, or some other quantity, of new 2½ inch double jacket treated fire hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Twenty-Five and 95/100 (\$1525.95) Dollars for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the provision of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of continuing the survey and maps of the Town under the supervision of the Board of Assessors; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred (\$800.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of refinishing the interior of the Town Hall; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing an adding machine to be used in the office of the Town Accountant, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 23, to see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell an adding machine now used in the office of the Town Accountant, and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the new adding machine; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Fifty (\$950.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing an automobile for the Police Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 25, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the automobile now used by the Police Department, and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the new car; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install one or more street lights on West Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install one or more street lights on Plain Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to install one or more street lights on Brookside Road between Nabnasset Street and Oak Hill Road and at the foot of Edwards Hill, so called; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. In the event the Westford Water Company during 1949 extends its mains along West Street in Graniteville, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen in its name and behalf to enter into a contract with said Company for such hydrants as may be installed on said West Street, and to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for such hydrant service; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to have the point of the common where the cannon is now located cut back twenty (20) feet so as to remove a dangerous traffic condition; said cannon and cannon balls to be relocated on the common in the rear of the World War Monument, this work to be done by the Highway Department as soon as possible in 1949; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 32. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 31, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purposes set forth therein; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to have all expenditures itemized and printed in the annual Town Report under the reports of each Department; said reports to show the amounts paid, to whom paid, and for what purpose paid; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to change the term of office of the Constable from one to three years, commencing with the annual election of Town Officers in 1950; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote, for the purpose of participating in a Union Health District, to join with the group of towns now included in the organization known as the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, according to the provisions of Section 27A of Chapter 111 of the General Laws; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Hundred Forty-Four and 50-100 (\$1144.50) Dollars for the purpose of meeting the expense involved by membership in the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health from April 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Department of Veterans' Services, including the compensation of the Director of Veterans' Services, as provided in Chapter 599 of the Acts of 1946; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and direct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for legislation to authorize the Town to borrow money outside the debt limit for acquiring land and constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a school building; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain for school purposes a parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situated on the southeasterly side of Main Street and adjoining land now owned by the Town on which is situated the building known as Westford Academy, said premises being more particularly described in a deed from Maude B. Shaw to James J. Cockery, dated May 14, 1942 and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 977, Page 395; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 40. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 39, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand (\$13,000.) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing the premises described in said Article 39.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing gas masks for the Fire Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up true and attested copies thereof at the Town Hall and at each Post Office in said Westford, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding the first meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of February in the year of our Lord, 1949.

CYRIL A. BLANEY

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

THOMAS W. GOWER

Selectmen of Westford

Annual Report
OF THE
School Committee
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,

1948

ORGANIZATION — SCHOOL COMMITTEE

F. Stanley Smith, Secretary	Term Expires 1950
James L. Knowlton	Term Expires 1950
Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman	Term Expires 1949
Edgar S. Peterson	Term Expires 1949
H. Arnold Wilder	Term Expires 1951
Clifford J. Courchaine	Term Expires 1951

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Peter F. Perry

Office—Westford Academy

Telephone 561

Office Hours: 8:30 A. M.-4:30 P. M.

CLERK

Mrs. Alice Whitcomb

SCHOOL TELEPHONES:

Cameron School 542

Sargent School 553

Wm. E. Frost School 230

Westford Academy 771

Nabnasset School 233

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Westford, Mass.

Tel. 521

SCHOOL NURSE

Dorothy Healy, R. N., Westford, Mass.

Tel. Office 391, Town Hall

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Westford:

The Superintendent's report has been read and accepted by the School Committee.

The Committee is asking for the sum of \$128,995.00 to operate the schools of Westford for the year 1949 and the sum of \$1,500.00 for vocational tuition. The increase in the budget is due almost entirely to the increased cost of supplies and the higher salaries necessary to obtain new teachers and hold the ones we have.

Under the provision of a new statute, plus the usual reimbursement on teachers' salaries, but transportation, out-of-town tuition, and state wards, the Town will receive approximately \$30,400 which will bring the net expenditures down to about \$98,700.00.

One new member, Mr. Clifford J. Courchaine, was elected this year to the Committee, succeeding Mr. William J. Kelly.

FREDERICK W. GATENBY,

Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Westford School Committee:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Westford.

In the years I served as principal of one of our grammar schools I always had as my goal the task of giving the boys and girls the best education possible within the budget of the school department. Since assuming the superintendency I have enlarged my aim to include the entire school system. I ask your co-operation in achieving this aim.

Let us suppose you had several shares in a corporation doing a million dollar business yearly, and that this corporation vitally affected the welfare, happiness, and material wealth of you and your children. Wouldn't you concern yourself with the management of this corporation and be extremely interested in seeing to it that it became more and more successful? Of course you would!

Now—let us suppose you showed that same concern and interest in the education of your family. Just what **would** you do? I would like to think that you would visit your schools, your teachers, and your superintendent, and help us achieve one of the greatest of all aims—the best possible education for **your** children!

Our public schools have a high and noble duty to perform, and I sincerely ask you to work along with us in helping to make them what they should—they can—and they must—become: the bulwark of our American democracy in its fullest sense. Education and democracy—neither one can survive without the other.

One of the most disturbing factors in any organization is the sudden and constant changing of the administrative head which cannot help but disrupt the entire organization. We have experienced this in our own school system, and a feeling of uneasiness and frustration might well be expected from the teaching staff, which in turn could easily be transmitted to the pupils. In order to overcome any such feeling, I have tried to follow the policies already set, at least for the time being. A few changes have been made, but the program which was working so well is still in force.

ACADEMY

An annual report offers an opportunity which your principal would like to have more often and more personally—an opportunity of talking with you about important matters of mutual interest dealing with the growth, development, and training of your sons and daughters, as well as the accomplishments which mark their progress.

In spite of the difficulties which continue to plague all public schools in their efforts to secure and hold well-qualified, experienced, and forward-looking teachers, Westford Academy is fortunate in having a staff of well-trained men and women who are earnestly devoted to the educational interests of the boys and girls who comprise our membership.

The total number of pupils registered on September 1, 1948, was 158, of which 67 were boys and 91 were girls.

The attendance record of 93.85% for the past year shows a definite improvement over the lower records experienced during the previous years.

The number of tardinesses—1.19 per pupil—is high. This loss of time on the part of a pupil results in both a serious educational and economic loss. In order that the school's record and standing may be maintained and improved, it is extremely urgent that parents assume more responsibility in assuring prompt and regular attendance on the part of their children. We, the teachers, can urge pupils to be present and on time; but it is up to the parents to demand better attendance on the part of their children.

The only change made in our curriculum the past year has been to take two mathematics courses out of the core curriculum and make each a requirement in the academic and general course.

Our "Open House" night proved very successful last year as we had more than a hundred parents visit school during the evening when regular classes were in session. Besides giving the parents an opportunity to see the teachers teach, we also made it possible for them to see all of our audio-visual aids put to classroom use. Since then, the Westford Academy Trustees have given us a tape-recording machine which will help us to more expeditiously improve our pupils' diction and develop fluency and self-confidence. In addition, it will enable us to keep our students better informed and up-to-date by re-broadcasting radio programs which do not coincide with our time schedule.

As has been done in many towns, we are now having a late bus three afternoons a week. This bus has helped us a great deal in planning our activity program as well as giving the pupils an opportunity to stay to make up work. It has also made it possible for us to have a remedial reading class one afternoon a week.

The challenge facing the schools today of making their programs meet the needs produced by our rapidly changing social concepts is exceedingly great. If Westford Academy is to continue its reputation as one of the better schools of the state, it must keep sensitive to these changing needs. It must keep its program dynamic and not allow it to become static. In keeping with this thought, there has been renewed effort to make the school experiences of the students rich with opportunities to study and practice the democratic way of life. There is also a concerted attempt to develop a militant faith in American democracy.

I am convinced that the citizens of Westford want a good high school. They want every child to have an equal chance with every other child in Massachusetts or in the nation. A good school and a fair chance are inseparable. Your desire is that your children shall have sufficient training to meet future requirements satisfactorily. What these requirements may be, for each individual child, is difficult for anyone to foresee; but we certainly should expend every effort to provide that type of secondary education which will best meet the needs, abilities, and interests of our present-day school population.

Our first duty, then, would seem to be to examine our present curriculum in the light of these requirements, keeping constantly in mind the type of pupil with which we are working. Do we have the right courses? What are our pupils like, and what should they be studying in order to have their desired chance?

It is quite evident that the average high school pupil today is not what he was twenty-five years ago. Today we are getting the poor student along with the good, whereas a quarter of a century ago only those attended high school whom we might now term as "the cream of the crop".

This influx into our schools means that we must either train our boys and girls adequately here and now for the life work which they will enter upon their graduation, or properly fit them for post-secondary education in higher institutions of learning.

While I have every faith in higher education and will never cease in my efforts to guide and encourage toward college those pupils who

can plainly profit by it and adequately accomplish it, I do feel that our primary concern should be with the greater number of our children whose formal education will terminate with graduation from Westford Academy.

The following statistics on our graduates for the period 1940-48 still further convinces me along these lines.

Westford Academy Graduates Who Entered College

Year	No. of Graduates	No. entered College
1940	34	2
1941	38	5
1942	37	2
1943	18	3
1944	26	8
1945	28	7
1946	37	8
1947	39	5
1948	37	3

It should not be assumed, however, that we do not have the courses, or do not meet the standards set by the colleges, to enable our pupils to pursue higher education. Our curriculum and instruction is most adequate for that purpose. As a matter of fact, in each class there are qualified students who are unable to attend college because of the lack of finances. It is unfortunate that in a traditionally academic school there are no scholarships available to help these students.

What then should we do for our boys and girls that we are not already doing for them? Many of our girls are taking advantage of the commercial-course, whereas the rest of the girls and boys are in either the academic or the general course.

My recommendation would be that as soon as possible, diversified courses in Trades and Industry, Home Economics, Health and Physical Education be included in our program. Through such courses more of our boys and girls may be better fitted to become finer citizens of Westford, physically fit and capable of earning a good living in a type of work that is in keeping with their interests and abilities.

The guidance program which has been started this year should be expanded so that students will better know their capabilities and select those courses which have the most to offer them.

The testing program made possible by the Westford Academy Trustees should be extended into the 7th and 8th grades.

The present testing program consists of intelligence, reading, and achievement tests. This minimal testing program enables the teacher to understand the child more quickly so that she might teach the child more effectively. It also helps us better to adapt the school program to the child. In conjunction with the testing program, we should have remedial reading classes.

I also recommend that studies be conducted to determine the advisability of following the prevailing trend in more progressive schools and including in our curriculum, courses in consumer education, safety education, aviation, and driver training.

The schools belong to you and must be what you want. They will be good when you take time to study their needs carefully and conscientiously, and they will fail when you neglect them. They are the living part of our social existence, and they derive their vitality solely from the very life streams of society's individual members. They must continuously receive your radiant energy. It is urgent that all take as active a part as possible in these activities that pertain to the school.

In closing, I wish to state that our accomplishments and gains during the year have been due to the combined efforts of the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, the teachers, the Westford Academy Trustees, and the citizens of Westford: to all of you I am greatly indebted.

PRINCIPALS

Numerous factors contribute in one way or another to the successful conduct of an organized school program. Our principals are an important part of the administration set-up of our school system. I have asked them to report on some of the more significant points which are helping our schools to remain at the present high educational levels.

Mr. Bozoian's emphasis is placed on the value of having a competent and experienced staff: "One of the indispensable elements of a good school system is a competent and experienced staff of teachers working together cooperatively toward the attainment of common purposes motivated by common ideals. Good teachers have personal and instructional qualifications which help them to develop a greater awareness and deeper understanding of problems in education and growth along professional lines.

Competent and experienced teachers have personal attributes which are essential to their work with young people. Such qualifications as the following are definite assets: cooperative spirit; sincerity and loyalty; intelligence; general culture; interest in the community; good physical and mental health; and an understanding of young people and the educative function.

Competent and experienced teachers have instructional qualifications which contribute to the effectiveness of their work with the youngsters: preparation for the work being done; adequate acquaintance with related fields; knowledge with the fundamental aspects of our social, economic, and political life; experience with out-of-school activities; familiarity with means and methods of stimulating pupils to effective and purposeful study; insight into the nature of pupil growth and development; and willingness to keep up with new developments, new theories, and research in the field of education.

A school system must depend on qualified teachers with experience to provide the continuity of an effective educational program. Securing and keeping competent teachers is essential to towns like ours if we are to maintain educational advantages we have gained."

Mr. Hershfield's report will show how school activities help to develop right attitudes: "Physical, mental, and moral vitality are conserved and promoted through the correct planning of certain school activities. One can appreciate the positive educational influence of such school activities by observing them at close range.

A program based on planned recreation and planned manual and domestic training is in operation at the Cameron School. This program is necessarily emphasized in the upper grades due to its nature. The activities may be grouped into two categories: i.e., those which are conducted during school hours and directly affect a large percentage of the student body, and those which take place after school and directly or indirectly affect the school management.

In the first category are classed the manual training and model airplane classes for boys, and sewing classes for girls. For both boys and girls there is the weekly meeting of the Association which develops student participation in school policy-making as well as student programs. The "Midget Mirror" is issued monthly by the literary-minded for the pleasure of the entire school. Dancing classes are held twice a week. A candy counter is managed by the students daily. These activities serve to develop the child's ability along any field of interest which he may wish to follow, be it manual, domestic, literary, social or business.

The second category includes the activities of the school patrol in helping police the traffic problems of the children; the seasonal games of basketball and baseball, and the use of swings as a recreational asset for the younger children. Finally, the school is used once a week as a meeting place for the Boy Scouts and the Cub Scouts.

The promotion of this program of extracurricular activities and expanding the curricular to include manual and domestic training is gradually having a favorable effect upon the students. Oftentimes it may transform the slow and lethargic child to one with quickened perceptions; make an agile and poised child of one who was clumsy and awkward; develop socially a child who heretofore did not possess the power to cooperate with others; and finally train and develop the power of the will for restraint and self-control."

Mr. Getchell will explain how administration can develop co-operation between pupils, teachers, principals, and superintendent: "During the last decade, the schools of Westford have been conducted in accordance with the latest principles of democratic administration as advocated by all the leading authorities in the field of modern educational administration. By democracy in administration is meant the sharing of experiences and ideas in the formulating of school policies by those to whom the policies will apply: i.e., superintendent, principals, teachers, and pupils.

Here in Westford all members of the school personnel, from the School Committee to the pupils, are encouraged to participate in school planning. This is done through various mediums—principals meeting with the School Committee, principals' meetings called by the superintendent, teachers' meetings called by the superintendent or principals, and meetings of student governing bodies such as the school Associations.

However, the real strength of this democratic administrative set-up lies within each of the individual buildings for it is here that principal, teachers, and pupils are working together day in and day out. The teachers' meetings held within the building are characterized by the general exchange of ideas, led by the principal or some teacher. Building policies are planned by all, on the theory that "many heads, under tactful guidance, are better than one". The children are encouraged to give their viewpoints in regard to certain school matters through their participation in the various school Association meetings. These meetings are conducted on the town-meeting plan and are governed by accepted rules of procedure with the principal retaining power of veto in regard to any action taken by the pupils.

In these days when so many "isms" are making inroads into the American way of life, Westford is indeed fortunate that its children are being guided by staff members who are well-versed in the democratic way of life and who in turn can inculcate these habits within the children. Thus our children become, in later years, an informed public and an informed public is a strong America."

Mrs. Wright will report on how outside groups influence our schools: "Social habits and attitudes are most easily cultivated in small children when they are made to feel secure in an environment with which they are familiar. This has become a proven fact in Nabnasset, where each one of the forty-one children enrolled this year is confident that his parents and teachers are working together to give him the best education possible. This spirit of cooperation has meant a great deal to the teachers, for their best work can be done only where relationships are friendly, and directed toward building important attitudes in the children.

Interest in school affairs is evidenced by the support received from the adult organizations in this community.

The Nabnasset Booster's Club, through gifts and interested participation in all school activities, is an influence for better understanding, leading the child to the realization that his parents play an important part in his school life.

The Nabnasset Community Club, while functioning, was an organization whose main purpose was betterment of community conditions, especially as regards the school. By gifts and carefully planned parties the children were made to feel that this group was whole-heartedly interested in their welfare.

The Nabnasset Parent-Teachers Association, only recently organized, has already made plans for the further development of better understanding between the home and the school.

As Nabnasset School continues to grow in size, we can be sure that these relationships between parents and teachers will continue to be pleasant and productive of good for all Nabnasset children.

PERSONNEL

Many changes in the teaching staff have taken place during the past year. There were three resignations in the Academy; namely, Mr. David L. Wyman, whose position was filled by Miss Marea R.

Kelly; Mrs. Carolyn D. Ashworth, replaced by Miss Eileen K. Greenwood; and Mrs. Marilyn P. Rogers, by Miss Eleanor A. Rodgers.

Miss Jean Frazier of Cameron School resigned to go to Medford at a much higher salary and her position was filled by Miss Marjorie A. Raney. Miss M. Sheila Gilmore was replaced by Miss Patricia C. Mangan. Because of the transfer of Miss Raney from the Frost School to a higher grade at Cameron School, Mrs. Florence B. Morris was elected to fill the vacancy. In September, Mrs. Mary D. Murphy was appointed to teach at Nabnasset, making it possible to keep the first four grades in this building. Miss Mary Mahoney of Sargent School resigned and her position was filled by Mrs. Helen H. Gibbons.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Last year the Curriculum Foundation Series of Basic Readers was adopted and put into the first three grades. We have extended these readers to other grades and will complete the series this year through grade six.

Our music books were in deplorable condition. Last year books were bought for two grades and we now have completed the series through grade six.

This year we are making a thorough study of our arithmetic problems, with the idea of buying new books to replace the ones we now have, likewise in poor condition. The entire teaching staff is at work on this project, as part of their in-service training program.

BUILDINGS

The citizens of the Town should be proud of the appearance of the school buildings. Because of a schedule adopted some years ago the exteriors and the interiors of the buildings have been kept in good condition. We have fallen somewhat behind in the original plans, but it is my hope that we can shortly bring this schedule up-to-date.

Each year there is a certain amount of repair work that must be done, and it has been the policy of the School Board to take care of such jobs as they arise. Following is the list of repairs made:

- 1 Boiler repaired at the Academy.
- 2 Sink and drain repaired at the Academy Lab.
- 3 New outside basement door at the Academy.
- 4 Halls and stairways painted at the Frost School.

- 5 Plumbing repairs at the Frost School.
- 6 Completed basement painting at the Cameron School.
- 7 Two new outside basement doors at Nabnasset School.
- 8 Two new fire escape doors at Nabnasset School.
- 9 Repaired ceiling at Nabnasset School.
- 10 Finished principal's office at the Sargent School.

Our main objective this year is to give one coat of outside paint to Frost and Cameron Schools, and to care for any minor repairs that may arise.

GIFTS

It is a pleasure to extend a sincere "thank you" to the Abbot Worsted Company and C. G. Sargent and Sons Corporation for their very generous gifts, making possible Christmas parties in all the elementary grades. Teachers and pupils are deeply appreciative of this annual donation.

The Trustees of Westford Academy have very generously financed a testing program for the Academy, and have also donated prizes at graduation. In addition, they have presented the Academy with an excellent tape recording machine which will be of inestimable value in the teaching of many subjects. We are indeed fortunate to have as Trustees, men of vision, with a keen appreciation of the progress which is constantly being made in education.

The Westford Citizens Committee deserves a great deal of credit for the excellent Christmas party they gave the pupils of the Frost School, a party that will long be remembered by the children fortunate enough to be present.

The Community Club, the P.T.A., and the Nabnasset Boosters have made contributions to the Nabnasset School which certainly has added to the enrichment of the school program.

Through the generosity and fine spirit of Harold Wright, a former graduate of the Academy, in providing free bus transportation to the games, the athletic program has been greatly strengthened.

The Westford P.T.A. is another outstanding organization which contributes liberally to the school program. Such organizations cannot help but make for better cooperation and understanding between parents and schools.

I would like to express my deep appreciation to all who have made my first few months as superintendent a pleasant experience. My appreciation is extended to the School Board, principals, teachers, secretary, and all school personnel, the Townspeople, and pupils, for their fine cooperation, hard work, and understanding. I am indeed grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER F. PERRY,
Superintendent.

WESTFORD ACADEMY PROGRAM OF STUDIES - 1948 - 1949

	Core for Students	Electives for Courses		
		Academic	Commercial	General
Freshmen	English I Subject starred	Algebra* Civics French I General Science	Jr. Bus. Tr.* Civics Gen. Science French I Prac. Math.	Prac. Math.* Jr. Bus. Tr. Civics Gen. Science French I
Sophomores	English II World History	Plane Geometry Biology French I or II	Typewriting I Bookkeeping I Biology French I or II	Biology French I or II Typewriting I
Juniors	English III U. S. History	Algebra II French I or II Spanish II Physics	Bookkeeping I or II Stenography I Typewriting II Psychology French I or II	Business Law Psychology French I or II Spanish II Typewriting II
Seniors	English IV Problems of Democracy	Physics French II Trigonometry & Solid Geometry Economics	Stenography II Bookkeeping II French II Consumer Science Business Law	Economics Consumer Science Physics French II

* Required in this course.

- All subjects listed above meeting five periods a week and provide one unit of credit with the exception of Typewriting, which counts one-half unit.
- All pupils take Music one period a week.
- A student enrollment of at least 10 may be required for a class section in any subject.
- Students must have a C or better average in Algebra I if they plan to take Plane Geometry. Students must have a C or better average in French I if they plan to take French II.

EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—YEAR 1948

SCHOOLS

Teachers' Salaries

Academy	\$ 21,538.00	
Elementary	52,082.00	\$ 73,620.00

Textbooks

Academy	552.62	
Elementary	2,360.70	2,913.32

Supplies

Academy	1,418.25	
Elementary	2,140.02	3,558.27

Other Expense of Instruction

Academy	207.26	
Elementary	217.64	424.90

Janitors' Salaries

Academy	2,480.11	
Elementary	6,810.28	9,290.39

Fuel

Academy	1,433.44	
Elementary	3,647.11	5,080.55

Miscellaneous Operation

Academy		
Water	128.84	
Janitors' supplies	218.59	
Lights	379.88	
Telephone	36.04	
Elementary		
Water	220.78	
Janitors' supplies	458.78	
Lights	477.35	
Telephone	126.47	2,046.73

Repairs

Academy	1,192.47	
Elementary	1,441.32	2,633.79

Furniture and Fixtures

Academy	41.25	
Elementary	949.73	990.98

Health		
Academy	131.57	
Elementary	207.56	339.13
Transportation		
Academy	5,386.80	
Elementary	5,309.80	10,696.60
Tuition		
Academy	66.08	
Elementary	112.80	178.88
Other Expense		
Academy	212.78	
Elementary	39.36	252.14
Emergency		500.00
General Control		
Superintendent's salary	4,016.58	
Superintendent's expenses	144.90	
Clerk	1,300.00	
School census	85.00	
Office expenses and telephone	179.78	5,726.26
Outlay		
Academy	342.50	
Elementary	207.09	549.59
Total		<u>\$118,301.53</u>
Receipts:		
Reimbursement for State Wards	\$ 987.58	
Reimbursement on Transportation	6,119.90	
Reimbursement out-of-town tuition	672.48	
Reimbursement (est.) State Income Tax ...	22,620.00	30,400.17
Total Net Cost to Town		<u>\$ 87,901.36</u>

CORPS OF TEACHERS 1948-1949

School	Teachers	Subject or Grade	Date of Appointment
Westford Academy	John T. Conrad, B.S.E., Principal (<i>St. Anselm's, Keene Teachers College</i>)	Social Studies	Sept. 1946
	Eliz Dohanian, B.S. (<i>Tufts College</i>)	French, Algebra, Jr. Business Training	Sept. 1947
	Mary A. Finn, B.S.E. (<i>Salem Teachers College</i>)	Commercial Subjects	Sept. 1946
	Eileen K. Greenwood, A.B. (<i>Tufts College</i>)	Social Studies, Psychology	Sept. 1948
	Marea R. Kelly, A.B. (<i>Boston University</i>)	English, French	Sept. 1948
	John A. Rennie, A.B. (<i>Wesleyan University</i>)	Science, Biology, Economics	Sept. 1946
	Kenneth H. Robes, B.S. (<i>Dartmouth College</i>)	Mathematics, Business Law	Jan. 1947
	Eleanor A. Rodgers, B.S. (<i>Simmons College</i>)	English, Spanish	Sept. 1948
	Harold Hersrfield, B.S., B.S.E., M.Ed., Principal (<i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, Harvard</i>)		8 Jan. 1948
Cameron School	M. Estelle Guay, B.S.E. Ruth A. Walker	(<i>Lovell Teachers College</i>) (<i>Lovell Normal School</i>)	1 Sept. 1947 2 Sept. 1922

Marjorie D. Raney, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	3	Sept. 1947
Patricia C. Mangan, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	4	Sept. 1948
Natalie Hart, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	5	Sept. 1947
M. Patricia Ahearn, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	6	Sept. 1947
D. Ethel Cleary, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	7	Sept. 1948

Wm. E. Frost School K. Merton Bozoian, B.S.E., M.Ed.,

Principal		8	Jan. 1942
(<i>Bridgewater, Harvard</i>)			
Florence B. Morris	(<i>Louell Normal School</i>)	1	Sept. 1948
Shirley C. Oliver, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	2	Sept. 1940
Ruth P. Tuttle	(<i>Louell Normal School</i>)	3, 4	Sept. 1903
Rita H. Miller, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	5	Sept. 1939
Gertrude H. Madden	(<i>Louell Normal School</i>)	6, 7	Sept. 1947

Sargent School

Gordon C. Getchell, B.S.E., M.Ed.,		8	Sept. 1944
Principal			
(<i>Salem Teachers College, Boston University</i>)			
Margery S. Flint	(<i>Fitchburg Normal School</i>)	1	Jan. 1948
Jean A. Bell	(<i>Fitchburg Normal School</i>)	2	April 1930
Martha M. Yoshida, B.S.E.	(<i>Louell Teachers College</i>)	3	Sept. 1946
Lottie D. Blodgett	(<i>Farmington Normal School</i>)	4	Sept. 1916
Helen H. Gibbons	(<i>Framingham Teachers College</i>)	5	Sept. 1948
Gertrude D. Houghton, A.B.	(<i>Regis College</i>)	6	Sept. 1947
Lillian G. Wright	(<i>Louell Normal School</i>)	7	Sept. 1914

Nabnassett School	Ruth L. Wright, Principal	(Plymouth Normal School)	1, 2	Sept. 1946
	Mary D. Murphy	(Lowell Normal School)	3, 4	Sept. 1948
Supervisor of Music and Art	Helen E. Hume, B.S.E.	(Lowell Teachers College)		Sept. 1947
School Nurse	Dorothy Healy, R.N.	(Framingham—Union Hospital)		Sept. 1941
Superintendent	Peter F. Perry, B.S.E., M.Ed. (Hyannis, Boston University)			Sept. 1948

ENROLMENT—WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 11, 1948

	Academy	Cameron	Frost	Sargent	Nabnasset	Total
Grade						
1		21	21	27	14	83
2		21	28	20	9	78
3		16	19	18	10	63
4		26	9	23	10	68
5		29	18	34		81
6		28	21	30		79
7		26	14	25		65
8		19	12	27		58
9	49					49
10	34					34
11	35					35
12	38					38
PG	2					2
Totals	158	186	142	204	43	733

Elementary Enrolment—575.

High School Enrolment—158.

REGISTRATION OF MINORS

October 1, 1948

Minors by Age Groups	5-7	7-16	Totals
Boys	75	289	364
Girls	74	281	355
Totals	149	570	719

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES

CAMERON SCHOOL

Edith Mary Brule	Richard Arthur Lyons
Jo Ann Claudine Connell	Raymond Paul Milot
Francis Raymond Courchaine	John Thomas O'Neill
Helen Virginia Hartley	Anthony Victor Orblonis
Agnes Ann Holmes	Arthur Edmund Pellerin
Margaret Mary Kavanagh	Hubert Ronald Provost
J. Hubert Kelly	Bernard Joseph Ricard
Shirley Ann Kelly	Marie Bernadette Ricard
Madeline Mary Lessard	

WM. E. FROST SCHOOL

Lawrence Arthur Alcorn	David Arthur Jones
Murray Richard Alcorn	Barbara Ann Kimball
Mary Antonelli	Alvin James Knowlton
Harry Reginald Best, Jr.	Donald Roger Phillips
Shirley Rita Chandonait	Samuel Alexander Richards, Jr.
Bruce Herbert Graves	Kenneth Blair St. Onge
Alfred Ernest Hamelin	Sandra Virginia Smith
Doris Johnstone	Patricia Ann Sullivan

SARGENT SCHOOL

Arlene Anna Aldrich	Charles C. Milot
Pauline Dolores Carbonneau	Jean Marie Milot
Howard Carlson	Elizabeth Lois Morgan
Peter Bennett Corkum	Maryalice Patenaude
Doris Muriel Cote	Donald J. Perkins
Irene Agnes Dubey	Donald Everett Randall
Hervey Ronald Gagnon	Hubert J. Raymond
Russell J. Hayes	Richard Edwin Sleeper
Elizabeth Ann Langley	Mary Gail Spinner
Noella Jeannine Leduc	Herbert F. Vasselin
Joan Carol MacLeod	

WESTFORD ACADEMY GRADUATES

JUNE 11, 1948

Anne Lydia Abreu	Elizabeth Ellen Holmes
Pauline O. Bellemore	John H. Jaroma
Andrew Henry Bellida	Donald Johnson
Phyllis Jean Bergsten	Phyllis Marjorie Johnson
Collete Marie Brule	Bernard B. Kavanagh
Patricia Wynne Burne	Marjorie Kierstead
Jeanne Frances Carpentier	Doris Eleanor MacArthur
Joan Marie Chandonait	Anthony William Minko
William Edward Coleman	James Patrick Mulligan
Robert L. Connell	Sheila Marea Mulligan
Alice Agnes Crickett	William Leo O'Connell
Peter Daranchuc	Phyllis Vern Pulsifer
Russell Frederick Decatur	Marie Ann Rioux
Marjorie Fletcher	Phyllis F. Sinton
Bernice Helen Gagnon	Catherine Agnes Sullivan
Donald Edwin Greenwood	Eleanor Frances Thompson
Helen June Hanson	Charlotte Blanche White
Mary Theresa Hayes	Monica Louise Woznac
Shirley Mae Hotaling	

PROGRAM

ENTRANCE MARCH—"Pomp and Chivalry" Roberts
Anne Precious Perry

INVOCATION
Rev. Eugene M. Benedict

WELCOME AND ESSAY
Faithful to God, thus Faithful to the World
Pauline O. Bellemore

GLEE CLUB—"One World" O'Hara-Bratton

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT
Robert L. Connell
President of Class of 1948

ACCEPTANCE OF CLASS GIFT
Frederick F. Selfridge
President of Class of 1949

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES
William C. Roudenbush
Trustee of Westford Academy
Dr. Beaumont A. Herman
Superintendent of Schools

ADDRESS
William R. Barry
Superintendent of Schools, Northampton, Mass.

CLASS—"Jacob's Ladder" Negro Spiritual

VALEDICTORY—"Better Faithful Than Famous"
Doris E. MacArthur

PRESENTATION OF CLASS
John T. Conrad, Principal

AWARD OF DIPLOMAS
Frederick W. Gatenby
Chairman of School Board

CLASS SONG Bernice H. Gagnon

BENEDICTION
Rev. Eugene M. Benedict

EXIT MARCH—"Pomp and Chivalry"

Roberts

CLASS MOTTO

"Better Faithful Than Famous"

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS MARSHAL

William Edward Coleman

CLASS FLOWER

American Beauty Rose

WINNERS OF PRIZES

(Given by Trustees)

AWARDED AT GRADUATION EXERCISES

For excellence in English — Mary T. Hayes

For excellence in Mathematics and Science — Robert L. Connell

For excellence in Secretarial Science — Pauline O. Bellemore

The most worthy representatives of Westford Academy

Class of 1948 — Patricia W. Burne

Class of 1949 — Edwin W. Nixon

Class of 1950 — John W. Spinner, Jr.

Class of 1951 — Arthur W. Gatenby

"CLASS OF 1948"

Name	Type of Work	Location
Anne Lydia Abreu (Mrs. J. DeWolfe)	Sales Work	Pollards
Pauline O. Bellemore	Office Work	Arthur Craft Tool Co., Boston
Andrew Henry Belida	At Home	Fort Devens
Phyllis Jean Bergsten	Office Work	Boston University
Collette Marie Brule	Office Work	Lowell Teachers College
Patricia Wynne Burne	Student	Bradshaw Business School
Jeanne Frances Carpentier	Student	Bag and Paper, Waltham
Joan Marie Chandonait	Factory Worker	Fort Devens
William Edward Coleman	Messenger Boy	Fort Devens
Robert L. Connell	Asst. with Management of Town Farm	At Home
Alice Agnes Crickett	Office Work	Fort Devens
Peter Daranchuc	Mason	Part Time; Boisvert
Russell Frederick Decatur	P. G.	Westford Academy
Marjorie Fletcher	Student	Leslie College
Bernice Helen Gagnon	Office Work	Lowell Plumbing Co.
Donald Edwin Greenwood	Working for Father	At Home
Helen June Hanson	At Home	
Mary Theresa Hayes	Telephone Co.	Ayer Office
Shirley Mae Hotaling (Mrs. Robert Hepburn)	At Home	Lumber Mutual Ins. Co., Boston
Elizabeth Ellen Holmes	Office Work	
John J. Jaroma	At Home	
Donald Johnson	At Home	
Phyllis Marjorie Johnson	P. G.	Westford Academy

Bernard B. Kavanagh	Worker	McElroy Mfg. Co., Littleton
Marjorie Kierstead	Student	Eastern Nazarene
Doris Eleanor MacArthur	Office Work	John Hancock Life Ins. Co.
Anthony William Minko	Air Corps	
James Patrick Mulligan	Army	
Sheila Maree Mulligan	Office Work	Lumber Mutual Ins. Co., Boston
William Leo O'Connell	Poultry Farm Work	Budges'
Phyllis Vern Pulsifer	Sales Work	Pollards
Marie Ann Rioux	Office Work	Lowell Mutual Ins. Co., Lowell
Phyllis F. Sinton	Sales Work	Pollards
Catherine Agnes Sullivan	Telephone Co.	Ayer Office
Eleanor Frances Thompson	Sales Work	Hanley's Yarn Shop
Charlotte Blanche White		
(Mrs. Leslie Bell)	Factory Worker	Raytheon
Monica Louise Woznac	Sales Work	Cherry & Webb

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

The following is my report as School Physician for the year ending December 31, 1948.

The usual physical examinations were made on all the children attending the schools of Westford. A separate physical examination was made to recheck all the cases in which major physical defects were found, in order that the parents of the children could be notified as to what procedure would be needed for them to see that the children would get the needed medical or surgical care when major defects were found.

A special examination was made on the pupils of the Academy who were to play football and basketball, and on the elementary school boys who were interested in football, in order that they could carry Liability Insurance and to find out if they were in the right physical condition to enter these sports.

A large number of pupils were treated at the Abbot Worsted Company Hospital for minor surgical and medical conditions. These cases came to me as emergency cases referred to me by the Principals of the different schools.

Cooperation by the Board of Health Nurse, teachers, and parents of the children was splendid as it has been in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT W. COWLES, M.D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

December 31, 1948

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the school nurse from January 1, to
December 31, 1948:

Schools visited	295
First aid and dressings	56
Children examined for minor ailments	239
Children recommended for exclusion because of con- tagious disease, skin infection or pediculosis	5

Vaccinations checked.

Massachusetts Vision Test equipment, loaned by
State Department of Public Health, used to check
vision of all students.

Assisted school physician with physical examinations
of all school children in Spring and Fall of 1948.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. HEALY, R. N.

REPORT OF PENMANSHIP SUPERVISOR

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford Academy
Westford, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Perry:

I am pleased to submit the following report on the operation of the Handwriting program in your schools for the school year of 1947-48.

In the initial handwriting tests administered to your pupils in September 1940, 20% received a grade of "A" (Excellent); 8% received a grade of "B" (Good); and 72% were scored less than "B". In the tests administered in June 1948, 75.2% of your pupils received a grade of "A" (Excellent); 13.4% received a grade of "B" (Good); and 11.4% scored less than "B". Handwriting certificates were awarded to 83% of your graduates.

During the school year we graded approximately 5500 formal and 16,500 informal handwriting samples for your pupils. A formal test was administered monthly and a report was furnished each teacher giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in her room.

We furnished the following instructional materials: monthly teachers' outlines, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, handedness tests, individual handwriting certificates for pupils who qualified, monthly and term envelopes, seals, etc.

My supervisors join with me in expressing our appreciation for the splendid cooperation we have received from you and your teachers at all times. We are very pleased with the results obtained in your schools.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. RINEHART,

Director.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF ART AND MUSIC

Mr. Peter F. Perry

Superintendent of Schools

Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

As Supervisor of Art and Music I hereby submit the following report on the programs concerning these two subjects in the Westford Schools.

Music and Art are probably the best means to the end towards which all teaching is directed—richer and fuller living. But because they are cultural subjects, it is too often felt that they are merely accessories or luxuries which many school curriculums can do without, or at best be satisfied with second-rate facilities. Due to a most co-operative and far-sighted administration in Westford's schools, the music in your town is being elevated. We are doing our best to continue the methods and maintain the standard of Art work formerly established by Dr. Landis of Harvard.

I have tried to inaugurate new music teaching methods in which I sincerely believe, not only from a theoretical viewpoint, but because they have incurred such fine results in towns and cities all over our country.

I appreciate greatly the attitude of many grade teachers with regard to these new methods; because of their patience and perseverance we are already seeing some gratifying results. Adopting a new program in any of the studies is necessarily a slow and painstaking process and I should like to express my thanks to the teachers for they have been most cooperative.

A new series of music books is now complete in grades one through six and they will greatly facilitate the task of employing an efficient and enjoyable music reading program together with music appreciation.

Music appreciation has been of primary importance in the high school as well as the grammar schools. Many students in the intermediate grades have subscribed to a music paper, "Keyboard, Jr.", which will broaden their music experiences considerably.

All the grammar schools are planning to produce operettas in the Spring where only one school made public appearance last year.

Special music groups have grown in the Academy from a Girls' Glee Club only, until now we have a Boys' Glee Club and a Mixed Group, all of whom performed in the last pre-Christmas concert. It is hoped that the repertoire of these groups may be expanded to include the operetta this year. Since the present Seniors have been exposed to compulsory chorus classes for the second year, it is also hoped that they will furnish their own graduation music, formerly done by the Glee Club.

The Art program is continuing in the manner introduced by Dr. Landis prior to my work here. Art and Music are literally partners in education, both having the same aims, and both of primary importance in developing the art of self expression.

Various projects were undertaken in each of the grammar schools during the Christmas season in the form of murals, stained glass windows, Christmas cards, and decorations.

The medium most commonly used is poster paint or Tempera, although crayons, being the most economical, are used frequently. A much greater variety of media should be available for the children of every grade but in individual classes we have worked with free hand cut-outs, clay, soap sculptures, three dimensional compositions, and pastels. We hope to add spatter prints to the work of the intermediate grades and stage art to the experience of the Junior High in connection with the operettas of the primary grades.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN E. HUME,

Supervisor of Art and Music.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1948 - 1949

Teachers' Meeting	Tuesday, September 7
Fall Term	September 8-December 23—72 days
Winter Term	January 3-February 18—35 days
Spring Term	February 28-April 14—34 days
Summer Term	April 25-June 23—43 days
Total—184 days	

Days omitted:

Columbus Day—October 12

Teachers' Convention—October 22

Armistice Day—November 11

Thanksgiving Recess—November 25, 26

Memorial Day—May 30

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

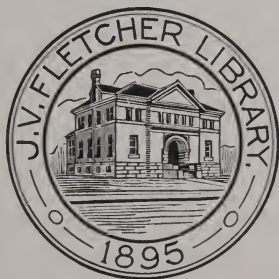
The No-School Signal will be two blows of the fire alarm whistle repeated three times.

The above signal will be given at 7:10 A. M. unless icing conditions begin about that time, in which case the No-School Signal may be blown as late as 7:45 A. M.

The No-School announcement will be broadcast over Stations WEEL, WBZ, WLLH, and WLAW whenever possible.

It is the policy of the School Department to keep schools in session on all days during which it is safe for buses to be operated. The widely varying conditions in the several parts of Westford make it difficult to reach decisions equally fair to all. ON DAYS WHEN THE WEATHER CONDITION IS QUESTIONABLE PARENTS ARE URGED TO EXERCISE THEIR OWN JUDGMENT AS TO THE WISDOM OF SENDING THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL.

Annual Report
OF THE
J. V. Fletcher Library
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,
1948

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY

January 1949

The trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library respectfully submit their annual report for 1948 including the report of the librarian and the list of books added in 1948.

Again this year we continued our program of repairs long needed at the Library. The roof had begun to leak, necessitating new slates and copper work in the gutters, and the hurricane of Sept. 21, 1938 had weakened the chimney so that it was leaning badly and had to be attended to. Frost and settling had done their work through the course of the years and the stone blocks either side of the steps had pulled away from the building, and also the bottom step itself had tilted, allowing water to settle there in rainy weather. Mr. Lundberg and his helper did a splendid piece of repair work, though it was done on some of the hottest days of summer.

For various reasons it seemed wise to replace the coal stoker in the furnace with a Delco oil burner and this has given good service. It was an added expense we had not expected to encounter, so it was necessary to delay the redecorating of the walls in the stackroom. We did, however, purchase new curtains for all the windows in the library save those in the stackroom. Probably this was the first replacement of the original curtains put up when the library was built in 1896.

Mr. Carroll J. Rollins served efficiently as janitor for the winter months, following which Mr. James McAvinew took over the work. He has been most helpful.

Continued repairs and the refinishing of the stackroom and if possible the rooms upstairs, which have never been redone since the library was built, make it necessary for the trustees to ask for the following appropriation to carry on the work of the library and its branches, viz:

1. The sum of thirty-six hundred (\$3,600.00) dollars.
2. The receipts from the dog licenses in 1948.

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH, Chairman
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR
ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY FOR 1948

Salaries and wages:

Librarian	\$ 1,025.00	
Janitor	463.31	
Assistants	431.82	
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		\$ 1,920.13

Books and periodicals:

Books	\$ 485.68	
Periodicals	185.18	
Binding	33.56	
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		\$ 704.42

Fuel		447.35
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Electricity		147.29
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Buildings:

Water	\$ 16.00	
Janitor's supplies	3.66	
Repairs	1,190.29	
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		\$ 1,209.95

Other expenses:

Telephone	\$ 26.64	
Transportation of books	30.00	
Stationery and postage	9.76	
Miscellaneous	27.75	
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		\$ 94.15
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		\$ 4,523.29

INCOME

Town appropriation	\$ 3,600.00	
Receipts from dog licenses	576.46	
Interest from funds	346.83	
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		\$ 4,523.29
Receipts from fines		\$ 76.74

January 1, 1949

To the Trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library:

The librarian herewith submits her thirty-first annual report and on March 7th the library will complete its ninetieth year since it was given to the town for a public library by the proprietors of the Social Library on condition that not less than thirty dollars a year be spent for books. Now the library has its own building and several deposit stations. The residents of Graniteville may obtain books at the home of Mrs. Francis C. Wood, those in Nabnasset at the post-office. Unfortunately, it has been necessary to give up the station at the Forge Village post-office since it became a second class office and we have not yet found another place. The children also have the chance to get books at their respective schools in Graniteville, Forge Village and Nabnasset, while those at Frost and the Academy come to the library.

Foreign books in Swedish and Russian have been furnished to several readers by borrowing from the Division of Public Libraries. They have also loaned books on various other subjects that were needed.

A group of books on handicrafts were loaned to the Tadmuck Club for their meeting on April 13.

The librarian was glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Julian A. Cameron on a brief visit one afternoon in October. He showed his continuing interest in the library by the gift of several books.

Those who enjoy detective stories were well remembered by the gift of 24 volumes each containing three stories published by the Detective Book Club and given by Mrs. Whitcomb and Mrs. Hook.

For Book Week many children's books were displayed on the table in the conversation room and an opportunity was given to purchase for Christmas presents since there is no bookstore in town. Several took advantage of the plan.

In the Frost museum case there have been exhibits of Latin American and Indian dolls, old agricultural books to contrast with the new gardening books on the table, Japanese trophies presented by John F. Young and old fashioned children's books.

At Christmas time a manger scene was set up in the children's room and on the end of the counter a group of dolls dressed as Christmas carolers with a large candle of Mrs. Martin's and greenery for a background, while books of Christmas stories and customs were nearby. Miss Winnek supplied the evergreen and bayberries for decoration.

Of special local interest is the gift of Mr. Eli T. Burbeck of a large map of Middlesex County in 1853 on which are shown the names of the occupants of the houses at that time.

From the estate of Miss Grace Lawrence the library received as gifts a map of the world drawn by Sarah Prescott (Mrs. David P. Lawrence of Forge Village) and two samplers made by Sarah and her sister Bethia. A beautiful portrait of Miss Sarah Hamlin as a child of six was received as the gift of Miss Kate S. Hamlin, both former residents of Westford.

John F. Young presented to the library a gun and three swords that he brought back from his war sojourn in Japan.

While the oil burner was being installed it was necessary to shorten the library hours during October, though an electric heater helped to keep the librarian warm. On the evening of March second the library was closed due to transportation difficulties.

The librarian attended the meeting of the American Library Association at Atlantic City June 13-19 and one day meetings of the Merrimac Valley group at Newburyport in June and at Dracut in October, all of which were helpful.

Few changes have been made in the list of magazines. All except current numbers may be borrowed for one week and the list for the coming year is as follows:

WEEKLIES

Geographic New's Bulletin	News Week
Illustrated London News	Publishers' Weekly
Life	Saturday Evening Post
New York Times Book Review	Time

MONTHLIES

A. L. A. Booklist	Etude
American	Flying and Popular Aviation
American Girl	Fortune
American Home	Good Housekeeping
American Photography	Grade Teacher
Antiques	Harper's Monthly
Atlantic Monthly	Hobbies
Better Homes and Gardens	Holiday
Book Review Digest	House Beautiful
Boys' Life	Hygeia
Coronet	Instructor
Cosmopolitan	Jack and Jill
Country Gentleman	Journal of Living

Junior Natural History
 Ladies' Home Journal
 National Geographic
 Natural History
 Nature
 Open Road
 Outdoor Life
 Parents' Magazine
 Popular Mechanics
 Popular Science Monthly
 Practical Home Economics

Reader's Guide to Periodical
 Literature
 Reader's Digest
 School Arts
 Sport
 Travel
 Uncle Ray's Magazine
 United Nations World
 Wilson Bulletin
 Woman's Home Companion
 World in Books
 Yankee

BI-MONTHLY

Delt-Agram
 Horn Book

Popular Homecraft

SEMI-MONTHLY

Library Journal

QUARTERLIES

Old Time New England

Subscription Books Bulletin

PERIODICALS GIVEN, 1948

Advance
 Army Life
 Automobile Facts
 The A V
 Bell Telephone Quarterly
 Book-of-the-Month Club News
 Books, N. Y. Herald Tribune
 Business Week
 Christian Register
 Christian Science Monitor
 Christian Science Journal
 Collier's
 DuPont Magazine
 Federation Topics
 Journal of Calendar Reform
 The Lamp
 Mass. Educational News
 Middlesex County Bulletin
 National Grange Monthly
 Nation's Business

From Miss May E. Day
 From War Department
 From Automobile Manufacturers
 Association
 From the Publishers
 From American Tel. & Tel. Co.
 From Book of the Month Club
 From The Old Corner Book Store
 From Mrs. Henry W. Hildreth
 From Unitarian Alliance of West-
 ford
 From Miss Mary E. Burbeck
 From Miss Mary E. Burbeck
 From Mrs. Wm. K. Budge
 From DuPont de Nemours Co.
 From The Tadmuck Club
 From World Calendar Association
 From Miss Alice M. Howard
 From Mass Dept. of Education
 From Middlesex County Extension
 Service
 From Westford Grange
 From Moses L. Fecteau

New England News Letter
 New Hampshire Troubadour
 Our Dumb Animals
 Pemex Travel Club Bulletin
 Plain Talk
 Science Illustrated
 Steel Facts

Steelways
 Tax Talk

This Week
 United States News
 Woman's Day

From New England Council
 From State of New Hampshire
 From the Publishers
 From Petroloes Mexicanos
 Thru the Publishers
 From Moses L. Fecteau
 From American Iron & Steel
 Institute
 From Am. Iron & Steel Institute
 From Mass. Federation of Tax-
 payers' Association
 From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey
 From Mrs. Henry W. Hildreth
 From Miss Mabel M. Prescott

NAMES OF DONORS, 1948

Buckshorn, Fisher—4 volumes and paper bound books
 Burbeck, Eli T.—map of Middlesex County, 1853
 Burbeck, Miss Grace—7 jig-saw puzzles
 Cameron, Julian A.—9 volumes
 Campbell, Miss Barbara—2 volumes
 Caunter, Miss Florence E.—2 volumes
 Dane, Mrs. Walter F.—one volume
 Davis, Mrs. Lawrence—one volume
 Fisher, Miss Ruth—12 music scores
 Fritz, Otto A.—mending material
 General Electric Co.—one volume
 Greig, Mrs. Charlotte P.—Westford picture
 Hamlin, Miss Kate S., estate—painting of Sarah Hamlin
 Hook, Mrs. Eric—12 volumes
 Lawrence, estate of Miss Grace—2 samplers, map of world,
 one volume and several small articles
 Martin, Mrs. Arthur B.—2 volumes
 Perrins, W. Arthur—2 volumes
 Seavey, Mrs. Marden—one volume
 U. S. Navy Recruiting Station, Boston—one volume
 Whitcomb, Mrs. Leroy H.—12 volumes
 Whitcomb, Leroy H., Jr.—15 volumes
 Wyman, David L.—15 volumes
 Young, John F.—gun and 3 swords from Japan

CIRCULATION

Total circulation of bound volumes	12,040
Volumes lent at Library	10,330
Volumes lent at Graniteville	851
Volumes lent at Forge Village	552

Volumes lent at Nabnasset	307
Circulation in children's department	4,791
Volumes lent thru schools	1,250
Periodicals lent	2,880
Pamphlets and clippings lent	195
Pictures loaned	676
Jig-saw puzzles loaned	48
Number of days open	152
Largest monthly circulation of bound volumes, May	1,031
Smallest monthly circulation, October	722
Largest daily circulation, May 18	123
Smallest daily circulation, Aug. 26, Dec. 23	24

ACCESSIONS

Volumes added by purchase	234
Volumes added by gifts	64
Total number added	298
Number of volumes discarded	55
Number of volumes in Library	19,602

AMOUNT OF FUNDS

Legacy of Stephen S. Stone	\$1,000.00
Legacy of Augustus K. Fletcher	1,000.00
Legacy of Mary M. Henarie, Laws Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of John M. Osgood	1,000.00
Legacy of Jennie Reed Wilkins	150.00
Legacy of Adeline T. Burbeck	500.00
Legacy of Albert E. Prescott	7,056.08
Legacy of William J. Burbeck	1,000.00
Legacy of Frederick A. Burbeck	1,000.00

REGULATIONS

The J. V. Fletcher Library is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays (legal holidays excepted) from 1:30 till 5, and from 6:30 till 9:00 P. M.

The Nabnasset deposit station at the Post Office in charge of Mrs. Edna G. MacLeod is open daily.

The Graniteville deposit station at the home of Mrs. Francis C. Wood is open Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 2:30 to 5; 6 to 7:30.

New books of fiction can be kept only one week; but there may be one renewal. All other books may be kept four weeks. Renewals may be made by telephone or by postal.

No book shall be transferred, or acknowledged as returned, unless delivered to the librarian.

For each day that a book is kept beyond the prescribed time a fine of one cent is charged.

Borrowers finding books mutilated or defaced should report the fact to the librarian.

LIST OF BOOKS ADDED, 1948

CLASSIFIED BOOKS

Alexandra, Queen—Queen Alexandra's Christmas book	B A380
Appell, Ruby M.—Adventures in thinking	170 A1
—By these things men live	248 A1
Aronson, Joseph—Encyclopedia of furniture	749 A
Ausubel, Nathan, ed.—Treasury of Jewish folklore, traditions, legends, humor and folk songs	296 A
Barbour, Harriot B.—Sandwich, the town that glass built—	974.40 Sa B
Barley, Ann—Patrick calls me mother	940.5316 B
Behrman, Howard and Levin, O. L.—Your skin and its care	616.5 B
Benedict, Ruth F. and Weltfish, Gene—In Henry's back-yard	572 B
Bennett, John—The doctor to the dead	398.2 B
Berol, Felix, arr. by—One hundred good stories	817 B6
Beverly, Bert I.—In defense of children	136.7 B
Brobeck, Florence—Cook it in a casserole	641.5 B2
Bromfield, Louis—Malabar Farm	630.1 B1
Carr, Wm. H.—Desert parade; a guide to southwestern desert plants and wildlife	574.979 C
Chamberlain, Samuel—Behold Williamsburg	917.554 C
Chase, Ilka—Past imperfect	B C4868
Cunningham, Elijah W.—The pearl of her sex	817 C9
Davis, W. A. and Havighurst, R. J.—Father of the man, how your child gets his personality	136.7 D1
Depew, Arthur M.—Cokesbury party book	793 D
Dodds, Robert E.—Handicrafts as a hobby	680 D
Douglas, Marjory S.—The Everglades	975.95 D
Drepperd, Carl W.—Handbook of antique chairs	794.31 D
Duggan, Schlottman and Rutledge—Folk dance library —The teaching of folk dance	793.31 D1
—Folk dances of Scandinavia	793.31 D2
—Folk dances of European countries	793.31 D3
—Folk dances of the British Isles	793.31 D4
—Folk dances of the United States and Mexico	793.31 D5
Eisenhower, Dwight D.—Crusade in Europe	940.54 E
Ekrem, Selma—Turkey, old and new	914.96 E
England, Mary, pseud.—A knight there was	B E585
Ethridge, Willie S.—It's Greek to me	914.95 E

Farley, James A.—Jim Farley's story	973.917 F
Fitzpatrick, George, ed.—This is New Mexico	917.89 F
Fuller, Edmund, ed.—Thesaurus of anecdotes	808.8 F
Gassner, John, ed.—Twenty best plays of the modern American theatre	812.08 G
Hagedorn, Hermann—Roosevelt in the bad lands	B R781.16
Hamlin, Helen—Pine, potatoes and people, the story of Aroostook	917.41 H2
Haselton, Scott E., ed.—Succulents for the amateur	635.933 H
Hastings House Americana—American wildflowers	582.1 H
Holbrook, Donald—Civilian mission	174 H
Hull, Cordell—Memoirs, 2 vol.	B H913
Kaese, Harold—The Boston Braves	796.357 K
Kent, Louise, A.—Village greens of New England	974 K
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Respectfully submitted,

May E. Day

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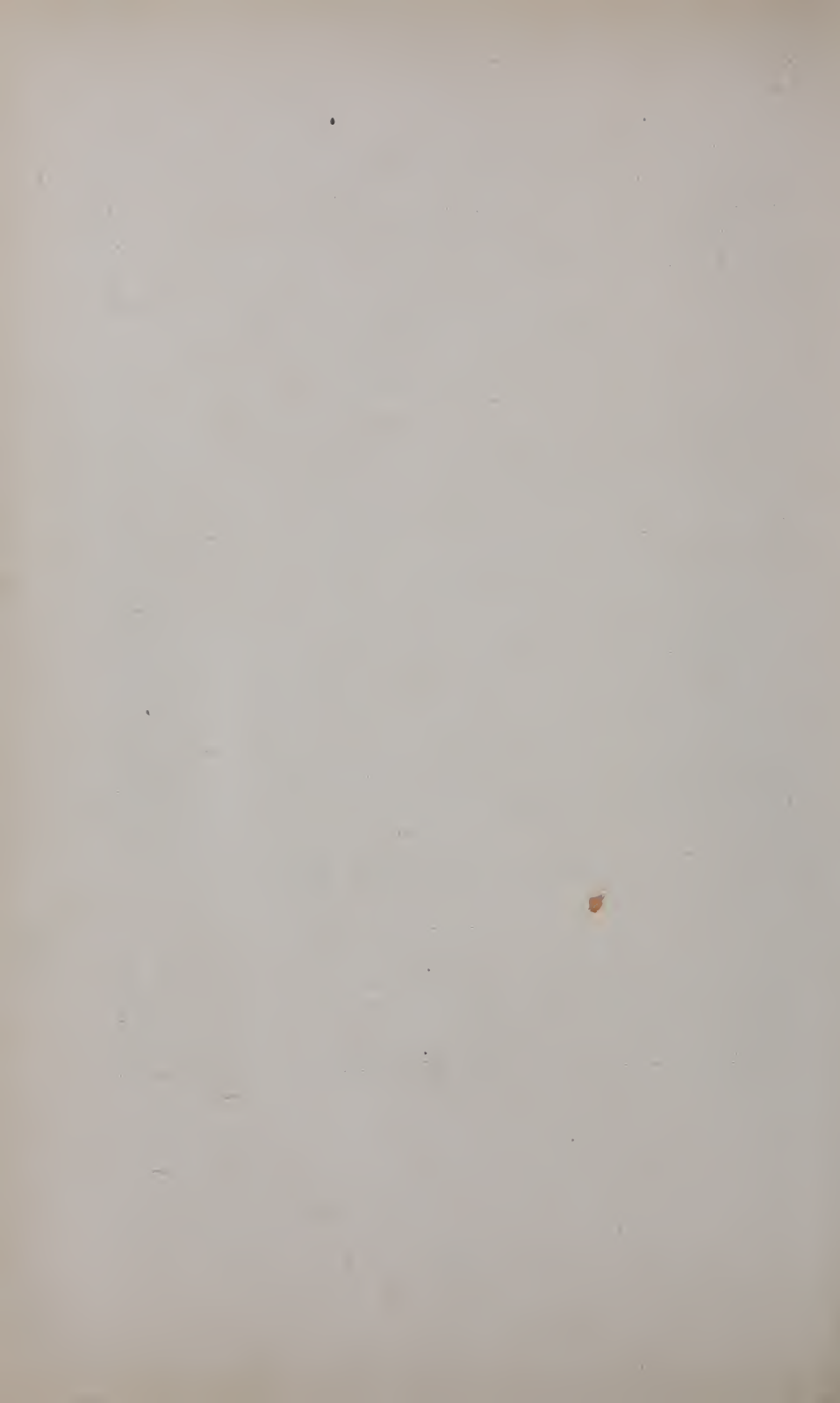
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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD

Town Clerk

Charles L. Hildreth Term expires March, 1951

Selectmen

Cyril A. Blaney, Chairman Term expires March, 1950

Thomas W. Gower Term expires March, 1951

Edward F. Harrington, Secretary Term expires March, 1952

Assessors

Victor B. Daly Term expires March, 1950

Carroll J. Rollins, Chairman Term expires March, 1951

John J. O'Connell Term expires March, 1952

Board of Public Welfare

William L. Wall, Chairman Term expires March, 1950

Samuel A. Richards Term expires March, 1951

Reginald Blowey, Secretary Term expires March, 1952

Treasurer

Charlotte P. Greig Term expires March, 1950

Collector of Taxes

David I. Olsson Term expires March, 1950

Moderator

Ben W. Drew Term expires March, 1951

Constable

John F. Sullivan Term expires March, 1950

School Committee

F. Stanley Smith, Secretary Term expires March, 1950

James L. Knowlton Term expires March, 1950

H. Arnold Wilder Term expires March, 1951

Clifford J. Courchaine Term expires March, 1951

Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman Term expires March, 1952

Edgar S. Peterson Term expires March, 1952

Trustees of J. V. Fletcher Library

Alice M. Howard, Secretary Term expires March, 1950

William R. Taylor Term expires March, 1951

William C. Roudenbush, Chairman Term expires March, 1952

Librarian

May E. Day

Board of Cemetery Commissioners

Sebastian B. Watson, Chairman	Term expires March, 1950
Fred R. Blodgett, Secretary	Term expires March, 1951
Axel G. Lundberg	Term expires March, 1952

Board of Health

Ralph E. Cole, M.D.	Term expires March, 1950
Dwight W. Cowles, M.D., Secretary	Term expires March, 1951
Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Chairman	Term expires March, 1952

Agents of Board of Health

Albert A. Hildreth, Agent
Dorothy A. Healy, R.N., Agent, Public Health Nurse
Charles L. Hildreth, Agent to issue Burial Permits
Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Inspector of Dairies
Charles A. Blodgett, Inspector of Slaughtering and Animals
Sidney Cobb, M. D., Agent
Henry Smith, Milk and Sanitary Inspector

Tree Warden

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick	Term expires March, 1950
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Superintendent of Moth Department

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick, appointed by Selectmen

Director of Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics

Mabel M. Nixon

Finance Committee

E. Kent Allen, Chairman	Term expires March, 1950
Herford N. Elliott	Term expires March, 1950
Albert G. Forty, Secretary	Term expires March, 1951
Allister F. MacDougall	Term expires March, 1951
W. Otis Day	Term expires March, 1952
William E. Wright	Term expires March, 1952

Committee in Charge of Whitney Playground

John Fisher

Morris A. Hall

Charles L. Hildreth

Special Town Forest Committee

Edwin H. Gould Term expires March, 1950

Fred R. Blodgett Term expires March, 1951

William E. Wright Term expires March, 1952

Registrars of Voters

Paul L. Dunigan Term expires March 31, 1950

James J. McKniff Term expires March 31, 1951

Norman E. Day Term expires March 31, 1952

Charles L. Hildreth, Clerk Ex-Officio

Precinct Officers

Precinct 1.—Warden, Albert A. Hildreth (R); Deputy Warden, Fisher Buckshorn (R); Clerk, Edward T. Sullivan (D); Deputy Clerk, Robert J. Spinner (D); Inspectors, T. Arthur E. Wilson (R); Morris A. Hall (R); Leo C. McDonald (D); James Basinas (D); Deputy Inspectors; H. Arnold Wilder (R); Howard H. Ferguson (R); Hilding A. Johnson (D); Louis F. Oliver (D).

Precinct 2.—Warden, John E. Connolly (D); Deputy Warden, John W. Spinner (D); Clerk, Alfred T. W. Prinn (R); Deputy Clerk, William L. Wall (R); Inspectors, Charles A. Blodgett (R); Roy E. Blanchard (R); Richard H. Healy (D); Raymond A. Wall (D); Deputy Inspectors, Walter N. Fletcher (R); Howard V. Anderson (R); Clifford G. Carpentier (D); James H. Payne (D).

Precinct 3.—Warden, Nicholas V. Basinas (D); Deputy Warden, Edward L. Dailey (D); Clerk, Harlan E. Knowlton (R); Deputy Clerk, William W. Gilson (R); Inspectors, Swan G. Swanson (R); Julia E. Knowlton (R); Eileen R. McGlinchey (D); Ruth A. Sundberg (D); Deputy Inspectors, Umberto P. Colarusso (R); Alice E. Whitcomb (R); Robert N. Cassidy (D), Eva A. Deforge (D).

Precinct 4.—Warden, Frank P. Shugrue (D); Deputy Warden, Arthur Cooney (D); Clerk, Robert J. Orr (R); Deputy Clerk, Leslie N. Athorn (R); Inspectors, James Kelly, Jr. (D); Leo P. Connolly (D); Reginald Blowey (R); Philip Lord (R); Deputy Inspectors, Richard Lyons (D); Albert F. Hobson (D); Arthur T. Greenslade (R); Albert E. Mountain (R).

Note—(R) Republican; (D) Democrat.

Chief of Police

John F. Sullivan

Regular Police Officer

John L. Connell

Dog Officers

John F. Sullivan

John L. Connell

Special Police Officers

Arthur A. Abbood
Allan Adams
John J. Barretto
Gregory G. Beskalo, Jr.
Harold Blease
Charles A. Blodgett
Reginald Blowey
Elmer P. Brown
Lawrence J. Charlton
Leo J. Connell
John E. Connolly
Thomas Curley
Arthur F. Daly
Arthur J. Deforge
Theodore J. Doucette
Charles Flanagan
William C. Furbush
John F. Gagnon
John H. Gantzel
Wilfred Gelinas
Winslow P. George
George S. Gervais
Donald H. Hall
Richard W. Hall
Francis Hannigan
J. Austin Healy
Donald Holt

William B. Horton
Ralph J. Hulslander
George F. Jones
Arthur Lamy
Charles A. Lorman
Thomas McGrath
Everett E. Miller
John J. O'Connell
Louis F. Oliver
Robert J. Orr
Edmund F. Pendlebury
W. Arthur Perrins
E. William Randall
Hubert V. Raymond
George Reeves
Uldege Ricard
William Robinson
Edmund D. Rogers
Maurice B. Rooks
Winthrop W. Sargent
Frederick Schill
Robert J. Spinner
Edward J. St. Onge
Edward T. Sullivan
William L. Wall
Harold E. Wright

Police Woman

Dorothy A. Healy, R. N.

Superintendent of Streets

J. Austin Healy

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Albert A. Hildreth

Inspector of Animals

Charles A. Blodgett

Inspector of Buildings

Edmund D. Rogers

Forest Warden

Leo R. Larkin

Deputies Appointed by the Forest Warden

Reginald Blowey
Thomas Curley
Richard W. Hall
Hubert V. Raymond

Edmund D. Rogers
Robert J. Spinner
Harold E. Wright

Engineers of the Fire Department

Richard W. Hall, Clerk
Harold E. Wright, Assistant Chief

Edmund D. Rogers, Chief

Town Accountant and Clerk of Board of Selectmen

Dana Fletcher

Soldiers' Relief Agent

Dana Fletcher

Director of Veterans' Services

Arthur A. Abbood

Agent for Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors

Arthur T. Greenslade

Superintendent of Westford Infirmary

Maurice B. Rooks

Keeper of the Lockup

Maurice B. Rooks

Town Fish and Game Warden

Edmund L. Provost

Janitor of Town House

Edward T. Sullivan

Janitor of Library Building

James E. McAviney

Caretaker of Common

George E. St. Onge

Town Counsel

Edward L. Monahan

Fence Viewers

Charles A. Blodgett

Marden H. Seavey

Edwin H. Gould

Field Drivers

Robert Connell

Richard E. Hanson

Dana Fletcher

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Charles A. Blodgett

Fred W. Burnham

Charles Freeman

Edwin H. Gould

J. Austin Healy

Edmund L. Provost

Weighers of General Commodities

John J. Buchanan

Arthur L. Healy

J. Austin Healy

J. Austin Healy, Jr.

James J. Healy

John Shea, Jr.

Harold W. Stewart

Weighers of Textile Commodities

Arthur J. Barker	Clifford Jones
Willard W. Beebe	Mary P. Lord
Anthony R. Bohenko	Paul T. McCarthy
Albert J. Burne	Helena A. McKniff
Edwin L. Burne	Edward F. McLenna
Annie H. Daly	Irene J. Menard
Victor B. Daly	Rameo Milot
Grace E. DeCarteret	Ellen A. Oldham
Kenneth E. De La Haye	Robert J. Orr, Jr.
William G. Donnolly	William E. Robinson
Frederick H. Ellison	Winthrop W. Sargent
Frank Gagnon	George Sedach
Eleanor M. Haley	John W. Shackleton
George M. Haley	Roy S. Smith
Helen R. Hartley	Irene Szylvian
James J. Hobson	Lillian Walsh

Weighers of Granite

Lincoln Dexter	Lawrence Gagnon	Ralph C. Harmon
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School Planning Committee

Appointed by Moderator under Article 1 of Annual Town Meeting held March 12, 1949, to serve for one year.

Edward M. Abbot	Kenneth R. Fox
June L. Armstrong	Arthur L. Healy
Moses L. Fecteau	Mary R. Lambert
	Everett A. Scott

Tax Title Property Committee

Appointed by Moderator for one year.

Herford N. Elliott	Edward F. Harrington	Albert A. Newick
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Housing Authority

Elected at Annual Town Meeting, March 12, 1949.

Arthur L. Healy	(Resigned) Term would have expired March 1954
Felix R. Perrault	Term Expires March 1953
Arthur A. Abbood	Term Expires March 1951
William G. Chace	Term Expires March 1950
*John D. Chandler	Term expires March, 1952

*Appointed by State Board.

NOTE—The law requires that certain officers, including Measurers and Weighers, in order to qualify as such officers, be sworn in and a record of their oath be filed with the Town Clerk.

Assistant Town Clerk

Alice A. Hildreth

BIRTHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford—1949

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Jan. 23—	Anderson, Beverly Jean	Gustave L. and Hilma E. (Monson)
Mar. 11—	Baxendale, Paul Walter	George E. and Pauline (Stephens)
Dec. 13—	Beebe, Judith Ann	Willard W. and Dolores V. (Milot)
Sept. 26—	Bennett, Vincent Byron	Vincent B. and Lucille M. (Gervais)
Aug. 9—	Beskaló, Anne Mary	Stephen G. and Mary M. (Minko)
Dec. 7—	Blais, Joseph Real	J. Elzear and M. A. Theresa (Lamy)
Sept. 4—	Blanchard, Joan Mary	Leon P. and Margaret (Brule)
June 13—	Boisvert, David Lawrence	Lawrence J. and Rita P. (Burton)
Sept. 28—	Brady, Alinda Marie	William E. and Beulah (Nichols)
Dec. 14—	Bush, Joan Ellen	Norman F. and Mildred E. (Edlick)
Aug. 12—	Caldwell, Lewis Gillespie, Jr.	Lewis G. and Joan (Wright)
Nov. 19—	Castanza, Joseph John	Joseph J. and Catherine (Dubey)
Oct. 6—	Chambers, Deborah Louise	Edward F. Jr. and Mary L. (Scribner)
Feb. 7—	Chandonait, Philip Mark	George J. and Alice M. (Lapierre)
Sept. 20—	Clough, Robert Leon	Kenneth W. and Ann J. (Moskal)
Mar. 16—	Connell, Candice Frances	George E. and Frances C. (Charlton)
Feb. 12—	Connell, Gary Frederick	Frederick and Helen M. (Tandus)
May 3—	Connell, Kenneth Robert	Robert and Marjorie A. (Smith)
June 20—	Connors, Sandra Lee	John F. and Priscilla M. N. (Smith)
Sept. 14—	Cote, Dennis Raymond	Marcel E. and Anita T. (Lussier)
Jan. 14—	Cox, Linda Sue	Gilbert W. and Hazel M. (Smith)
June 14—	Craig, Joyce Edith	Clark A. and Susie M. J. (Knight)
Apr. 6—	Daly, Francis Michael	Francis E. and Winifred A. (Connell)
Sept. 7—	Davis, Dimity	Lawrence S. and Dorothy P. (Fecteau)
Apr. 29—	Dixon, Barbara Lee	George R. and Agnes W. (Rhodes)
Oct. 10—	Doucette, Deborah Ann	Victor G. and Dorothy M. (McEnaney)
Nov. 16—	Dubey, Diane Rita	George F. and Lillian M. (Cote)
May 21—	Duggan, James Henry	James H. and Florence Y. (Labbe)
Dec. 18—	Dupuis, Sharon Lee	Arthur J. and Ethel (Bell)
Nov. 2—	Fellows, Herbert Elmer, Jr.	Herbert E. and Dorothy (Fish)
Feb. 7—	Fitzpatrick, Timothy Paul	Frederick J. and Lois E. (Hanson)
May 5—	Fletcher, Susan Barbara	Walter W., Jr. and Dorothy M. (Cockerline)
June 29—	Fox, Janet Wilson	Kenneth R. and Eleanor (Pihl)

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Nov. 24—	Gagnon, Dennia Alfred	Alfred J. and Gladys (Pellerin)
June 13—	Gingras, Susan Ann	Gerard J. and Jeannette M. (Beaudette)
Oct. 13—	Godfroy, Mary Pauline Theresa	Rosaire R. and Theresa B. (Brule)
Jan. 2—	Golden, Kathleen Lee	Thomas F. and Ethel L. (Scatchard)
Feb. 6—	Hagestad, Cynthia Ann	Jack F. and Charlotte (Cooney)
Mar. 27—	Hanson, Joseph	Rene M. and Vivian (Cote)
Feb. 2—	Hartley, Virginia Ann	Daniel J. and Shirley R. (Hedlund)
Nov. 17—	Healy, John Austin	John A. and Louise M. (Smith)
Mar. 28—	Healy, Kathleen Ann	James L. and Cecilia A. (Ward)
Mar. 6—	Hepburn, Gary Wayne	Robert C. and Shirley (Hotaling)
Dec. 15—	Hill, Donald Ernest	Kenneth R. and Priscilla (Knowlton)
Dec. 15—	Holmes, Ann Rita	James J. and Lillian (Lacourse)
Apr. 2—	Johnstone, Bruce	Thomas Jr. and Jennie A. (Lewkowicz)
May 7—	Jones, Edward Herring	Ralston P. and Patricia M. (Mailliard)
Mar. 31—	Karkota, Dennis	Frank P. and Doris R. (Gearin)
July 2—	Knight, Stephen Martin	Stephen M. and Alma G. (Gaudette)
July 27—	Kovalchek, Eileen Louise	George and Helen L. (McLean)
May 23—	Lambert, Arlene Rose	Armand J. and Dorothy M. (Charbonneau)
Dec. 15—	LeDuc, Henry Emile	Henry A. and Lorraine R. (Greenwood)
Sept. 26—	Leedberg, James Russell	Waldo S. and Margaret K. (Hogan)
Sept. 20—	Lemire, Joanne Marie	Arthur and Florence R. (Richard)
Apr. 27—	Lund, Sandra Lu	Ernest W. and Bertha A. (Lawhorn)
Apr. 29—	MacQuarrie, Sandra Ann	Chester E. and Dorothy B. (Gosselin)
Dec. 18—	Mainville, Elaine Claire	Leo J. and Claire M. (Lambert)
July 5—	McArthur, Ronald Joseph	William A. and Sadie A. (Perkins)
Feb. 17—	McAvinew, Barbara Susan	James E. and Margaret (Curley)
Aug. 12—	McGlinchey, Susan Marie	Richard L. and Mary K. (Shea)
Apr. 10—	Milewski, Kenneth Paul	Edward J. and Anna (Rosko)
Oct. 5—	Mulligan, Dennis Francis	Francis J. and Marion E. (Fitzpatrick)
Aug. 29—	Mungovan, William Claude	James W. and Marie J. (Parmentier)
Apr. 2—	Munroe, Robert Lee	Howard T. and Agnes M. (LaFountain)
June 14—	Nadolny, Margaret Ann	Emil J. and Mildred S. (Giles)
July 29—	Norgoal, Philip John	Uuno A. and Sadie (Worobey)
July 5—	Palma, Dennis Allen	Salvatore J. and Adrianne (Richards)
Dec. 12—	Paquin, Gary Raymond	Raymond L. and Mary (Moreno)

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Sept. 21—	Pendergast, Christine Mary	Thomas M. and Alexandra (Chudack)
May 16—	Pendlebury, Graham	Roland F. and Ruth (Southan)
Nov. 19—	Perrins, Deborah Jean	Robert H. and Jean S. (Gibson)
Feb. 3—	Popolizio, David Vincent	Vincent J. and Catherine (Volis)
May 7—	Reeves, Janice Mary	Alfred J. and Sally F. (Kidawolski)
June 29—	Robinson, Jo Ann Lynne	Donald F. and Constance M. (Peabody)
Apr. 28—	Ross, Robert Lee	August P. and Louise M. (Gagnon)
Dec. 26—	Ryan, Charlotte Mary	James L. and Charlott (Dulligan)
Nov. 15—	Shanahan, Daniel Joseph	Walter F. and Mary C. (Leduc)
Feb. 7—	Smith, Mary Rita	Charles and Doris C. (Kinch)
June 8—	Stone, Barbara Ellen	William F. and Charlotte L. (Fletcher)
Dec. 28—	St. Onge, Peter David	George E. and Jeanne E. (Fortier)
July 28—	Stromsky, Betty Ann	Alexander and Nellie (Kostechko)
Nov. 2—	Stuart, Donna Linda	Clayton B. and Jacqueline T. (Grenier)
Mar. 6—	Sudak, Kathleen Mary	Nicholas Jr. and Margaret M. (Leonard)
June 9—	Sullivan, Ralph Richard	M. Joseph and Yvonne R. (Gadourey)
July 27—	Talancy, Michael	Michael and Ruth V. (Zanchi)
July 22—	Therrien, Richard Roland	Leo E. and Beatrice C. (Lamy)
Aug. 8—	Urbaniak, Linda Jean	John A. and Phyllis S. (Kimball)
Nov. 20—	Valcourt, George Eugene	Eugene J. and Adrienne (Gervais)
Jan. 12—	Vanbever, James Francis	Francis J. and Anna W. (Smith)
Oct. 11—	Vickers, Jeffrey Scott	Joseph E. and Mary S. (Yates)
Sept. 11—	Walker, Charlotte Ann	James N. and Lucille D. (Parmentier)
Mar. 6—	Walker, Harriette Louise	George F. and Harriette (Knickerbocker)
July 12—	Williamson, Carol Marie	Oscar and Verna L. (Flieger)

Males, 50; Females, 49; Total Number Recorded, 99.

MARRIAGES

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford—1949

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Feb. 5	Alden, Richard Forrest	22	Needham	Boston
	Scott, Margaret Claudina	23	Westford	Westford
Dec. 31	Antos, Edward Stephen	23	Dudley	Thompson, Conn.
	Selfridge, Marion Estrella	22	Westford	Arlington
Apr. 30	Baker, Ernest Linwood Jr.	29	Suffolk, Va.	Suffolk, Va.
	Abbot, Natalie Baron	24	Westford	Lowell
Dec. 24	Becker, Edward Carl	23	Exeter, N. H.	Providence, R. I.
	Koning, Mina Helena	22	Westford	Medford
Apr. 9	Berkimer, Bernard Clifton	25	Bellevue, Mich.	Michigan
	Smith, Margie Arline (Barbeaux)	25	Westford	Massachusetts
Oct. 1	Bellida, Andrew Henry	22	Westford	Westford
	Haley, Barbara Marie	21	Westford	Westford
Sept. 25	Borges, Joseph Sabino	22	Lowell	Lowell
	Lambert, Rita Marie	21	Westford	Lowell
Apr. 30	Brooks, Gardner Francis	29	Lowell	Lowell
	Mangan, Helen Theresa	28	Westford	Lowell
Oct. 15	Brown, Louis Cornelius	32	Charlotte, Iowa	Charlotte, Iowa
	Costello, Mary Margaret	27	Westford	Westford
July 30	Canova, Lester Charles	22	Holyoke	Holyoke
	Walker, Ruth Lillian	20	Westford	Westford
Feb. 12	Chapin, Lowell Mead	63	Niles, Mich.	Niles, Mich.
	Fletcher, Priscilla (Kennard)	50	Westford	Lowell
July 31	Cockerline, Richard Bedford	27	Lowell	Lowell
	Black, Elizabeth Agnes	21	Westford	Kilsyth, Scotland
Feb. 18	Collins, Raymond Prescott	23	Westford	Boston
	Blaisdell, Beverly Elaine	23	Lowell	Lowell
Dec. 18	Cote, Norman Arthur	22	Westford	Lowell
	Paduano, Nancy Rose	18	Westford	Ayer
Sept. 24	Cunningham, Leonard Joseph	21	Somerville	Cambridge
	Dumont, Dolores Marie	17	Westford	Lowell

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
July 2	Davis, William Joseph Jr.	22	Chelmsford	Westford
	Pulsifer, Phyllis Verna	18	Westford	Boston
Jan. 5	Dicomes, Harry John	52	Westford	Greece
	Jack, Grace Leona	26	Westford	Ohio
Oct. 8	Dubey, John Edward	20	Westford	Westford
	Milot, Rita Lillian	19	Westford	Lowell
Aug. 6	Dundas, John Andrew	26	Westford	Manchester, N. H.
	Desrosiers, Theresa Marie	18	Westford	Westford
June 30	Durrell, Elton LeRoy	47	Lowell	Lowell
	Mann, Harriett Anna	27	Westford	Westford
June 10	Elliott, George Edmund	33	Hudson, N. H.	Greenfield, N. H.
	Canton, Theresa Mary	22	Westford	Lowell
Sept. 5	Estright, John Robert	20	Lowell	Lowell
	Gelinas, Doris Mary	16	Westford	Groton
June 26	Gervais, Daniel George	25	Westford	Westford
	Rogers, Anne Frances	24	Lowell	Lowell
Jan. 29	Guillemette, Raymond Emile	22	Westford	Lowell
	Harvey, Theresa Ida	17	Townsend	Fitchburg
Aug. 6	Haley, George Richard	22	Westford	Westford
	Coughlin, Rita Marie	22	Lowell	Lowell
Jan. 23	Hudlin, James Nelson	20	Ayer	Ayer
	Thompson, Margaret Mary	20	Westford	Westford
Feb. 19	Laforge, George Joseph	21	Lowell	Lowell
	Langley, Ruth Eleanor	18	Westford	Tyngsboro
July 2	Levasseur, Joseph	40	Westford	Peabody
	Vadeboncoeur, Lucina	40	Lowell	Lowell
Feb. 25	Menard, Henry Joseph	27	Westford	St. Michele, P. Q. Canada
	Byron, Theresa Olive	21	Westford	Westford
Apr. 23	Narkunas, Julius Casmir	29	Nashua, N. H.	New Hampshire
	Whitney, Inez Joyce	26	Westford	Massachusetts
Jan. 15	Palmer, Mark Augustus Jr.	34	Manchester, Conn.	Westford
	Sargent, Eva Patricia	23	Cambridge	Tucson, Arizona

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Sept. 3	Payne, Warren Thomas	24	Concord	Westford
	Minko, Sophie Andokia	22	Westford	Westford
Feb. 11	Pendergast, Thomas Milton	26	Easthampton	Easthampton
	Chudack, Alexandra	26	Westford	Westford
Nov. 12	Raymond, Charles Herbert	46	Westford	Brockton
	Coupal, Hilda Jane (Morton)	35	Westford	Westford
Apr. 16	Reynolds, Charles Michael	21	Lowell	Lowell
	Gervais, Denise Marie	22	Westford	Westford
Mar. 3	Reynolds, Guy Burton	36	Wilton, N. H.	Lyndeboro, N. H.
	Malven, Thelma (Holmes)	37	Wilton, N. H.	Wilton, N. H.
May 21	Richards, Donald Leodore	24	Lowell	Lowell
	Guillemette, Theresa Marie	20	Westford	Westford
Oct. 23	Saraceni, Antonio Ralph	27	Westford	Orsognia, Italy
	Sozio, Michelina	35	Boston	Boston
July 3	Saraceni, Joseph Angelo	32	Westford	Orsogna, Italy
	Sozio, Helen	25	Boston	Boston
Apr. 23	Scanlan, James Jean	25	Providence, R. I.	Providence, R. I.
	Crickett, Mary Virginia	22	Westford	Westford
June 18	Schill, John William	47	Westford	Somerville
	Youngquist, Ingeborg Erika (Beckstrom)	40	Boston	Stockholm, Me.
July 16	Surawski, Stanley	33	Lawrence	Lawrence
	Panneton, Lorande Marie Estelle	22	Westford	Westford
Jan. 7	Talaney, Michael Jr.	25	Westford	Westford
	Zanchi, Ruth Violet	24	Westford	Westford
Dec. 10	Tebbetts, George Rufus	27	Westford	Massachusetts
	Sullivan, Margaret Frances	22	Westford	Massachusetts
July 2	Valcourt, Paul Emile	22	Westford	Westford
	Milot, Georgette Yvonne	21	Westford	Westford
June 12	Wallace, James Rolwing	17	Detroit, Mich.	Charleston, Mo.
	Dubey, Theresa Shirley	18	Westford	Westford
Feb. 17	Wetherbee, Milton Brown	21	Concord	Stow
	Elliott, Catherine Marion	19	Westford	Westford
Sept. 24	Wolosewicz, Joseph	27	Westford	Lawrence
	Kupiec, Helen	29	Lowell	Lowell

Total Number Recorded: 48.

DEATHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford, 1949

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Feb. 1	Atwood, Ada May	68	5	23
Feb. 24	Baum, Herbert—widower of Rebecca (Hunt)	76	1	13
July 20	Bellemore, Romeo—husband of Marie (Ruthier)	41	3	20
May 3	Bombush, Katherine (Belida)—wife of Peter	64	—	—
Sept. 3	Butterworth, William L.	80	—	11
July 23	Byron, Oliver J.—widower of Alexina (Ricard)	71	4	2
Apr. 25	Cantin, Amedee—widower of Mary Louise (Byron)	74	5	7
Aug. 14	Carter, John Lester—husband of Amanda (Leger)	60	8	25
June 5	Connell, Kenneth Robert	—	1	2
July 21	Critzlo, Carrie M. (Hunter)—wife of William N.	82	1	28
Dec. 27	Currier, Lena Estelle (Balch)—widow of Edwin B.	83	8	4
Oct. 28	Daley, Martin—husband of Hannah (Hanley)	76	3	22
July 7	Dean, Dixie (Marshall)—wife of Clarence H.	58	11	29
Jan. 17	Denio, Sarah (Boyd)—widow of John	87	10	—
Feb. 7	Deslaurier, Regina (Milot)—wife of Joseph	51	8	15
Aug. 26	Dubey, Joseph S.—husband of Dora M. (Lamie)	39	4	3
Jan. 31	Dumas, Georgina (Coderre)—widow of Sterling	58	—	—
May 14	Foster, Madison A.—widower of Jessie M. (Balsor)	73	11	10
Mar. 30	Hanson, Joseph	—	—	3
June 25	Hartley, Redmond—husband of Ellen (Kavanagh)	49	11	23
May 14	Healy, Belle (Shugrue)—widow of John A.	63	3	27
Mar. 14	Hosmer, Jane Hannah (Bennett)—widow of William E.	74	4	6
Aug. 17	LeDuc, Henry Edward—widower of Marianna (Lacroix)	64	7	6
Feb. 17	Lord, Howard Russell	86	11	20
May 23	Lowther, Theresa	83	4	18

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Mar. 14	MacDougall, Allister F. Jr.	29	—	12
Jan. 8	Martin, Arthur Budington—husband of Maudie H. (Merian)	40	8	7
Mar. 17	Meehan, Edward J.	26	—	—
Dec. 12	Morrison, George F.—husband of Jennie (Charlton)	70	—	26
Sept. 28	O'Leary, Stephen—widower of Ellen (Manley)	96	5	16
July 28	Peterson, Agda (Hallberg)—wife of John G. S.	63	1	16
Oct. 25	Sargent, Annie Gertrude (Greenland)—widow of Joseph E.	81	—	18
May 6	Sweetser, Beverly	2	2	27
May 2	Valcourt, Jean Batiste—husband of Marie Louise (Beaulieu)	74	10	4
Apr. 10	Weaver, George Henry—widower of Jessie (Wilson)	70	8	2
Sept. 27	White, Mary B. (Tibbets)—wife of Edward J.	56	—	—
Sept. 16	Whitney, Grace L. (Smith)—wife Edmund B.	59	3	29
Dec. 30	Woitowicz, Floryan Peter—husband of Sophie (Maselbas)	64	11	28
Sept. 12	Wolkowich, Mary (Belida)—wife of Steve	60	5	—
July 11	Wyman, William N.	78	3	13

	Male	Female	Total
Total Number Recorded	27	19	46
Deaths in Westford	14	9	23
Residents of Westford	24	19	43

NOTE

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the foregoing reports of births, marriages and deaths and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be discerned therein, so that the records may be corrected. An error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition under oath made by one who is required by law, to furnish the information for the original record or by one or more creditable persons having knowledge of the case.

(See General Laws, Chapter 46, Section 13 as amended.)

Births occurring late in the year are sometimes returned without the Christian name. In such cases parents should return the name to the Town Clerk as soon as selected, as incompleteness of the record may occasion trouble in the future.

Attention is particularly called to the following extracts from the General Laws:

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46

Section 1. Each city and town clerk shall receive or obtain and record * * * facts relative to the births * * * in his city or town.

Section 3. Every physician or medical officer registered shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge and * * * shall, within fifteen days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report * * * if the child is illegitimate, the name and other facts relating to the father shall not be stated except at the request in writing of both father and mother filed * * * Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported * * * A physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars * * *

Section 4. A member or servant of a family in which a child is born, having knowledge of the facts required * * * shall furnish the same upon request of the clerk of the town * * * or of any person authorized by him. (Penalty for refusing, not more than ten dollars.)

Section 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder within forty days after a birth in his house shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such a child is born.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 207

Section 36. If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth, who return to dwell here, they shall within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the town where either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage including the facts required in a notice of intention of marriage.

Section 55. Whoever violates Section 36 shall forfeit ten dollars.

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish, parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital medical officers applying therefor, with blanks for return of births as required by law.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT ON DOGS

Number of Dog Licenses issued from January 1, 1949 thru December 31, 1949:

289 Males @ \$2.00	\$578.00
58 Females @ \$5.00	290.00
106 Spayed Females @ \$2.00	212.00
5 Kennel @ \$10.00	50.00
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458 Total	\$ 1,130.00
Clerk's fees @ .20 on 458 Licenses	\$ 91.60
Paid to Town as per Treasurer's Receipts	1,038.40
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	\$ 1,130.00

The attention of owners and keepers of dogs is called to the following extracts from Chapter 140 of the General Laws as amended:

Definition: "License period," the time between April first and the following March thirty-first, both dates inclusive.

Section 137. A person who at the commencement of a license period is, or who during any license period becomes, the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old during a license period, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed until the end of such license period, and the owner or keeper of a dog so registered, numbered, described and licensed during any license period, in order to own or keep such dog after the beginning of the succeeding license period, shall, before the beginning thereof, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for such period. —The registering, numbering, describing and licensing of a dog—shall be—if kept in any—town in the office of the clerk thereof.

The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished,—by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the condition expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost

the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk—at a cost of ten cents which, if received by a town clerk, shall be retained by him unless otherwise provided by law.

Section 139. Fees for licenses. The fee for every license shall, except as otherwise provided, be two dollars for a male dog and five dollars for a female dog, unless a certificate of a registered veterinarian who performed the operation that said female dog has been spayed and has thereby been deprived of the power of propagation has been filed with the town clerk, in which case the fee shall be two dollars. A certified copy of such certificate on file in the office of any town clerk within the Commonwealth may be accepted as evidence that the said operation has been performed.—

DOG LICENSES ISSUED THRU DECEMBER 31, 1949

Abbot, Edward M. (k4)	Bouchard, Joseph T. (m)
Abbott, Jessie (s)	Brewster, Carl S. (m)
Abrahamson, Robert M. (m)	Brittain, Josephine T. (f)
Abreu, Anthony (m)	Brule, Josephat (1f 1s)
Alcorn, Frederick h. (m)	Bubeshko, Alexander (m)
Allen, E. Kent (s)	Budge, William K (2s)
Anderson, Gustave L. (m)	Bunker, Louis F. (f)
Anderson, Howard V (m)	Burke, George H. (m)
Anderson, John W (m)	Burne, Albert J. (m)
Atwood, Florence E. (2m)	Burne, Shirley E. (m)
Basinas, James V. (1m 1f)	Burnham, David A. (f)
Baum, Reginald S. (m)	Butko, George (m)
Baxendale, George E. (m)	Caless, Thomas W. (m)
Bechard, Jennie (m)	Cantin, Alexander G. (f)
Beebe, Alma L. (m)	Carlsen, John (s)
Belida, Wasil (m)	Carmichael, Charlotte (f)
Bell, Muriel D. (s)	Carter, W. Wallace (s)
Black, Francis (m)	Cassidy, Robert V. (m)
Blais, Elzear (m)	Chace, Helen S. (f)
Blanchard, Roy E (m)	Chamberlain, Jean M. (f)
Blodgett, Charles A. & Fred R. (f)	Chandonait, Alphonse A. (m)
Blott, Leonard F. (s)	Chandonait, Francis H. (s)
Bobryk, Peter (m)	Chapin, Priscilla K. (m)
Boisvert, Lionel J. (m)	Chaplin, Bryant R. (f)
Boisvert, Ronald E. (s)	Charette, Andrew J. (m)
Boisvert, William J. (m)	Charlton, Arthur L. (m)
BoIger, David E. (m)	Charlton, Elizabeth B. (m)

Charlton, Joyce and Juanita (m)	Dubey, Peter O. (m)
Chisholm, Nelson A. (m)	Dubinski, Joseph P. (2m)
Chisholm, Walter E. (1m 1f)	Dubinski, Joseph W. (s)
Clements, Edna Kittredge (s)	Dumont, J. Alfred (m)
Cobb, Henry H. (f)	Dupras, Carl P. (m)
Cobb, Wallace A. (m)	Dupras, Fred L. (m)
Cole, Ralph E. (s)	Dureault, Joseph V. (m)
Comey, Gertrude E. (m)	Dureault, Wilfred J. (m)
Condon, Garrett J. (s)	Eaton, Charles W. (1m 1f)
Connell, Clarence R. (s)	Egerton, Albert M. (m)
Connell, Frederick (s)	Elliott, Augustus (m)
Connell, Leo J. (m)	Elliott, James M. (m)
Connell, Robert (m)	Elliott, Priscilla B. (2m)
Connolly, Robert J. (m)	Ellison, Frederick J. H. (s)
Conrad, John T. (m)	Ellison, Jacob E. (m)
Corkum, Bennett S. (m)	Ennis, Richard F. (m)
Cote, Constance C. (m)	Erwin, Charles M. (m)
Cote, Paul A. (m)	Fallon, Owen P. (m)
Coulter, Alvin H. (s)	Farrell, Donald (s)
Coupal, Hilda J. (m)	Farwell, Lawrence W. (m)
Coupal, Napoleon (s)	Fellows, Herbert E. (s)
Creed, Roland H. (m)	Fenton, Robert C. (m)
Daley, Edward L. (m)	Ferris, Eleanor R. (1m 1f)
Daly, Francis E. (m)	Field, Elizabeth B. (m)
Daly, John J. Jr. (s)	Finnila, Ida E. (m)
Daly, Victor B. (m)	Flanagan, John F. (m)
Daly, Vincent (m)	Fletcher, Walter N. (f)
Day, Avis E. (m)	Forsyth, Gerald F. (m)
Day, Norman E. (1m 1s)	Fox, Kenneth R. (m)
Decato, Herbert C. (m)	Fritz, Otto A. (2m)
Degagne, Samuel J. (m)	Frost, Alice E. (s)
DeLaHaye, Evelyn M. (s)	Gagnon, John F. (m)
DeLaHaye, Ruth J. (m)	Gagnon, Lillian M. (m)
DelPapa, Domenic (f)	Gamage, Henry C. (m)
Demetriou, Stephen (m)	Gantzel, John H. (f)
Denisevich, Joseph (s)	Gardel, Fortuna (m)
Denisevich, Zachary (s)	Gatenby, Frederick W. (s)
Desmond, David (m)	Gibbons, James W. (m)
DeWolfe, Harold G. (m)	Gilson, George and William (f)
Donnelly, Harry G. (m)	Goodwin, Dorrance H. (m)
Doucette, Victor G. (m)	Gower, Robert F. (m)
Drew, Ben W. (s)	Graves, Paul R. (s)
Dubey, Frank T. (m)	Greenhalgh, John H. (s)
Dubey, George F. (m)	Greenough, Caroline G. (m)
Dubey, Joseph T. (m)	Greenslade, Arthur T. Jr. (m)
Dubey, Peter A. (s)	Greenwood, Wilfred C. (1m 1s)

Guillemette, Albert J. (m)
 Guolla, Victoria A. (s)
 Gustafson, William F. (s)
 Hall, David K. (m)
 Hall, John H. (m)
 Hall, Philip G. (m)
 Hall, Richard W. (m)
 Hamelin, Alfred L. (f)
 Hanson, Axel F. (m)
 Harless, Bert A. Jr. (m)
 Harrington, William C. (m)
 Hartford, Hazel B. (s)
 Hartley, Joseph D. (m)
 Hartwell, Luella R. (f)
 Healey, John T. (s)
 Hebert, Irene H. (m)
 Hedlund, Robert C. (s)
 Heman, Robert J. (m)
 Hendrickson, Albin J. (s)
 Heroux, Raoul (m)
 Hildreth, Albert A. (m)
 Hildreth, Arthur G. (m)
 Hildreth, Charles L. (m)
 Hildreth, Leon F. (s)
 Hildreth, Stuart B. (m)
 Hill, Kenneth R. (m)
 Hodgson, Eileen M. (m)
 Hodgson, Harry (m)
 Hodson, Robert E. (m)
 Holmes, George R. (f)
 Holmes, James (f)
 Hook, Eric G. (m)
 Hubbel, Edgar G. (f)
 Hudgings, Thyra L. (m)
 Hyam's, Isabel F. Fund Inc. (s)
 Ingalls, Harry M. (f)
 Ingalls, Herbert E. (m)
 Jaroma, John H. (m)
 Jensen, Lillian A. (m)
 Johnson, Donald F. (f)
 Johnston, Carl H. B. (s)
 Jones, Arthur C. (m)
 Jones, Robert A. (f)
 Kane, Lawrence R. (2s)
 Karkota, Frank P. (m)
 Kavanagh, John F. (s)
 Kazeniac, Stanley (m)
 Kierstead, Thomas E. (m)
 Kimball, John A. (1m 1f)
 King, James A. (m)
 Knight, Stephen M. (f)
 Kofonious, John V. (m)
 Koning, William (m)
 Kostechko, Simon (m)
 Ladas, Patricia A. (m)
 Lahme, Paul W. (m)
 Lamb, James E. (m)
 Lambert, Benjamin deF. (1m 1s)
 Lamie, Arthur J. Jr. (m)
 Lamy, Joseph (m)
 Lamy, Julian J. (m)
 Lavigne, Stanley J. (m)
 LeDuc, Rita M. (s)
 Lefebvre, Dorothy S. (m)
 LeFebvre, Eva A. (m)
 Lehtinen, T. Edwin (1m 1s)
 LePage, Dorothy R. (s)
 Levasseur, Louis (m)
 Levinson, David H. (m)
 Lewis, Carl F. (m)
 Lewkowicz, John (m)
 Lund, Betty (s)
 Lyons, Harold E. (s)
 Macauley, Reginald H. (m)
 MacMillan, William C. (f)
 MacPhail, Lillian P. (s)
 MacQuarrie, William Q. (m)
 Maffini, Carlo (m)
 Maguire, Francis C. (m)
 Mann, Dulcie J. (f)
 Mann, Harriett A. (m)
 Mann, Mabel E. (s)
 March, Shirley C. (m)
 Marshall, Michael (m)
 Marshall, Robert G. (f)
 Martin, John A. (m)
 Maslbias, Stanley J. (m)
 Mason, Elmer E. (f)
 McAviney, James E. (m)
 McCarthy, Arthur (m)
 McDonald, Barbara B. (f)
 McDonald, Paul L. (m)

McDonnell, Annie (s)
 McLenna, Edward F. (m)
 Menard, Alfred (s)
 Menard, Roger J. (m)
 Merrick, Mary (m)
 Michelson, Jacob (m)
 Miksha, Paul (2m)
 Milewski, Edward J. (m)
 Miller, Jennie P. (s)
 Millet, William A. (m)
 Milot, Alberic G. (s)
 Milot, Arthur J. (s)
 Milot, Charles C. (1m 1s)
 Milot, Lucien (m)
 Milot, Lucien J. (m)
 Moore, Willard F. Jr. (f)
 Moulton, David G. (f)
 Mountain, Albert E. (f)
 Mountain, Edward P. (2m)
 Mulligan, Francis J. (s)
 Munroe, Albert H. (s)
 Munroe, Howard T. (2s)
 Murchie, Adin D. (f)
 Nelson, Max (1m 1s)
 Nesmith, Eva L. (s)
 Nesmith, Norman K. (m)
 Newick, Albert E. (f)
 Nixon, Warren M. (m)
 Nowers, Francis L. (s)
 Nylund, Carl R. (s)
 O'Connell, William L. (m)
 Ohlson, Axel E. (2m)
 O'Leary, Charles G. (s)
 Oliver, Joseph (m)
 Olson, Katherine L. (m)
 Orblonis, Anthony V. (m)
 Orr, Robert J. (m)
 Osgood, Earl C. (s)
 Ouellette, Grace M. (s)
 Paduano, Frank (m)
 Parker, Donald A. (f)
 Parlee, Harvey T. (s)
 Patenaude, Leo F. (m)
 Paul, Robert L. (m)
 Payne, James H. (m)
 Pearson, Lois (m)
 Perkins, Clifford A. Jr. (m)
 Perkins, Joseph J. (m)
 Perkins, Robert B. (m)
 Perkins, Thomas H. (m)
 Peterson, Edgar S. (f)
 Phalon, Robert (m)
 Phillips, Donald R. (s)
 Phillips, Norman A. (m)
 Picking, Arthur (m)
 Picking, Frederick H. (m)
 Pierce, Lawrence C. (1m 1f)
 Pine, Thomas A. (m)
 Polesayka, John (m)
 Pope, Charles E. (m)
 Pote, Guy S. (k4)
 Poulin, Delia M. (s)
 Poulin, Ernest L. (2s)
 Prescott, Philip T. (f)
 Profita, Joseph M. (s)
 Provost, Claude P. (m)
 Provost, Edmund L. (m)
 Provost, Mary A. (s)
 Randall, William (f)
 Reed, Elsie L. (1m 1f)
 Reeves, Frances L. (f)
 Reeves, George E. (m)
 Reynolds, Maxwell W. (m)
 Ricard, Lionel J. P. (s)
 Rice, Shirley (m)
 Richards, Samuel A. (3m)
 Riel, Hermas I. (s)
 Robbins, Catherine E. (m)
 Roberts, Herman S. (1m 1s)
 Robinson, William E. (m)
 Roderson, Virginia S. (s)
 Rogers, Edmund D. (k4)
 Rollins, Carroll J. (s)
 Romanowsky, Arnold P. (k4)
 Norden, Sextus E. (k4)
 Rooks, Beverly J. (s)
 Roux, Napoleon (m)
 Roux, William J. (2m)
 Russell, Edward F. (m)
 Ryan, James L. Jr. (m)
 Sawosik, Michael (m)
 Scott, David C. (f)

Scott, Everett A. (m)	Visnaskas, John A. (m)
Siemlanski, Edward J. (1f 1s)	Voropay, Nicholas P. (m)
Sienkewicz, John (s)	Vyskaska, Mary (m)
Simons, Sigmund (s)	Wajda, Stanley J. (f)
Sjokvist, Carl J. (s)	Walker, George F. (s)
Sleeper, Charles N. (m)	Walker, Robert J. (m)
Smith, F. Stanley (s)	Walsh, Michael J. (s)
Smith, Paul F. (s)	Wardrope, William F. (m)
Smith, Robert G. (s)	Wark, Donald T. (m)
Smith, Ruth S. (m)	Weaver, Joseph M. (m)
Socha, Marygan (s)	Wetmore, Anna B. (s)
Sproul, Samuel M. (m)	Wetmore, Jerome W. (m)
Stannlonis, Jacob (s)	Wheeler, Susie J. (1m 1f)
Staples, Richard S. (m)	Whigham, James I. (m)
Stone, Ellen L. (k4)	White, Edward J. (s)
Sullivan, Daniel W. (1m 1s)	Whitney, Donald A. (m)
Sundberg, Rupert F. (m)	Whitney, Grace L. (m)
Suzedelys, Stanley (m)	Whitney, Hamilton E. (1m 1f)
Swanson, Varnum H. (2m)	Whitney, Harry G. (m)
Szczigla, Anna (m)	Whitney, John W. (m)
Talancy, Mary (s)	Whitney, Nathaniel R. (m)
Talancy, Michael (m)	Wilder, George S. (m)
Targ, Theodore J. (s)	Williamson, Charles (m)
Taylor, Clayton T. (s)	Wilson, Raymond S. (s)
Taylor, William R. (m)	Wilson, T. Arthur E. (m)
Tebbetts, George R. (s)	Woitowicz, Florian (m)
Tereshko, Walter (m)	Wood, Francis C. (m)
Thompson, James F. (m)	Woodard, Rita A. (s)
Thompson, Raymond E. (m)	Woodard, Shirley A. (m)
Thompson, Ronald (m)	Woodward, Kathrynne M. (m)
Todd, Herman L. (m)	Woznac, Alexander M. (f)
Totton, Thomas F. (3m)	Wright, James F. (m)
Tousignant, Adelard A. (1m 1f)	Wyman, Carl P. (f)
Traversa, Antonio J. (m)	Wyman, Horace F. (s)
Tuttle, Richard A. (m)	Wyman, William W. (m)
Tuttle, Ruth P. (s)	Yeschanin, John (m)
Valley, Loren B. (f)	Young, Catherine S. (m)
Vaughn, Wilbert L. (s)	Young, Norman H. Jr. (m)
Vervaert, Marcel (m)	Zioto, Adolph J. (m)
Vickers, Ephraim (m)	

NOTE: (m) Male; (f) Female; (s) Spayed Female; (k) Kennel.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION—MARCH 7, 1949

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Whole Number of Ballots Cast	210	153	73	242	678

SELECTMEN (Three Years)

Edward F. Harrington	168	118	64	189	539
H. S. Hildreth	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	42	34	9	53	138

ASSESSOR (Three Years)

John J. O'Connell	155	106	60	192	513
Kent Allen	1	0	0	0	1
A. A. Hildreth	1	0	0	0	1
Nellie Fletcher	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	52	47	13	50	162

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE (Three Years)

Reginald Blowey	164	106	59	186	515
Blanks	46	47	14	56	163

CONSTABLE (One Year)

John F. Sullivan	175	107	62	185	529
Morice Doucett	0	1	0	0	1
Robert Fenton	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	35	44	11	57	147

TRUSTEE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY (Three Years)

William C. Roudenbush	174	112	64	172	522
Hattie Hildreth	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	36	40	9	70	155

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (Three Years)

Axel G. Lundberg	170	106	65	167	508
Blanks	40	47	8	75	170

TREE WARDEN (One Year)

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick	56	81	22	208	367
G. Linwood Nesmith	144	71	47	26	288
Blanks	10	1	4	8	23

BOARD OF HEALTH (Three Years)

Cyril A. Blaney	117	108	41	146	412
John F. Gagnon	89	42	31	87	249
Blanks	4	3	1	9	17

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Three Years)

Frederick W. Gatenby	166	121	58	175	520
Edgar S. Peterson	165	93	62	142	462
Edward Sullivan	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	88	92	26	167	373

HOUSING AUTHORITY Note: The one receiving the highest vote is elected for 5 years; the next highest for 4 years; the next highest for 2 years and the next highest for 1 year.

Arthur L. Healy	138	109	56	155	458
Felix R. Perrault	116	81	50	168	415
Arthur A. Abbood	135	76	59	111	381
William G. Chace	139	78	57	106	380
Blanks	312	268	70	428	1078

We hereby certify that the above is a true canvass of the Votes Cast at the Annual Town Election held March 7, 1949.

ATTEST:

JAMES J. McKNIFF

PAUL L. DUNIGAN

NORMAN E. DAY

CHARLES L. HILDRETH

Registrars of Voters—Westford

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING—MARCH 12, 1949

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Saturday, March 12, 1949, at 1:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Rev. Eugene M. Benedict, Pastor of the Graniteville Methodist Church, offered prayer.

Albert A. Hildreth and Robert J. Spinner, using Check Lists, acted as Tellers at the doors of the Hall.

Peter F. Perry, Superintendent of Schools, was admitted to the floor of the Hall by the Meeting assembled.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

The Canvass of the Votes Cast at the Town Election, March 7th, made by the Board of Registrars, was read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Voted to accept the Reports of Town Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Report. A Report of the Veterans' Housing Authority was read by William G. Chace. A verbal Report of the Committee on the New Fire House at Graniteville was accepted. Voted to defer the Report of the School Planning Committee until action has been taken on Articles 38, 39 and 40.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the compensation of Town Officers be as follows and effective as of January 1, 1949: SELECTMEN—Chairman \$225.00; other two members \$200.00 each: BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE—Chairman \$20.00; other two members \$10.00 each: TOWN TREASURER—\$1,880.00: TOWN CLERK—\$400.00: COLLECTOR OF TAXES—\$1,600.00: TREE WARDEN—\$0.90 per hour: ASSESSORS—\$7.00 per day of 8 hours: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS—\$7.00 per day of 8 hours.

ARTICLE 3. 1 Voted that the sum of \$11,455.00 be raised and appropriated for General Government, divided as follows: SELECTMEN—\$1,000.00; LICENSE EXPENSE—\$100.00; TOWN ACCOUNTANT—\$1,175.00; TOWN TREASURER—\$2,230.00; ASSESSORS—\$1,800.00; TAX COLLECTOR—\$2,100.00; TAX TITLE EXPENSES—\$700.00; TOWN COUNSEL—\$300.00; TOWN CLERK—\$850.00; ELECTION AND REGISTRATION—\$1,200.00.

2. Voted that the sum of \$3,981.00 be raised and appropriated for the General Expenses of the Town Hall.

3. Voted that the sum of \$9,504.65 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the POLICE DEPARTMENT.

4. Voted that the sum of \$8,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the FIRE DEPARTMENT—divided as follows: General Expenses—\$8,000.00; Permanent Man \$500.00.

5. Voted to defer action under this Item until Article 30 has been taken up.

6. Voted that the sum of \$125.00 be raised and appropriated for the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

7. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for the Salary and Expenses of the Fish and Game Warden.

8. Voted that the sum of \$1,300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of Fighting Forest Fires.

9. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Town Forest.

10. A Motion that the sum of \$900.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Tree Warden was lost. Voted that the sum of \$600.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Tree Warden.

11. Voted that the sum of \$1,700.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Moth Department in the suppression or control of insect pests which destroy forest and shade tree foliage, including the elm leaf beetle and the Dutch elm disease.

12. Voted to defer action under this Item until Articles 35 and 36 have been taken up.

13. Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Cattle Inspector.

14. A. Voted that the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Snow and Ice Removal.

B. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Roads.

15. Voted that the sum of \$40,900.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Welfare Department, divided as follows: TEMPORARY AID and INFIRMARY—\$17,600.00; AID to DEPENDENT CHILDREN—\$2,800.00; OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—\$20,500.00.

16. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Soldiers' Benefits.

17. Voted that the sum of \$128,995.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the School Department.

18. Voted that the sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated for Vocational School Tuition.

19. Voted that the sum of \$3,600.00 be raised and appropriated, together with the Receipts from Dog Licenses in 1948, to defray the expenses of the Public Library.

20. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Care of the Common.

21. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of Commemorating Memorial Day.

22. Voted that the sum of \$1,100.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of Publishing and Distributing the Town Reports.

23. Voted that the sum of \$3,900.00 be raised and appropriated for various types of Insurance, including Fire, Compensation, Liability and Collision Insurance.

24. Voted that the sum of \$25.00 be raised and appropriated for Interest on Revenue Loans.

25. Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of Cemeteries.

26. Voted to defer action under this Item until Articles 27, 28 and 29 have been taken up. Voted to take up Articles 27, 28 and 29.

ARTICLE 27. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install four Street Lights on West Street.

ARTICLE 28. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to installing Street Lights on Plain Road.

ARTICLE 29. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light at the foot of Edwards Hill, so called, on Brookside Road between Nabnasset Street and Oak Hill Road.

Voted to take up Article 3, Item 26.

ARTICLE 3. 26. Voted that the sum of \$7,337.00 be raised and appropriated for Street Lights.

27. Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be used as a Reserve Fund at the discretion of the Finance Committee as provided in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6, and that the further sum of \$10.00 be raised and appropriated to be used by the Finance Committee for payment of Membership in the Association of Town Finance Committees.

28. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$1,257.57 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying Unpaid Bills of 1948 and previous years as follows: TEMPORARY AID: Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare—Bureau of Accounts \$349.60; Board of Public Welfare—Lowell \$72.00. TOTAL \$421.60; OLD AGE ASSISTANCE: Bureau Old Age Assistance, Ashland \$33.15; Bureau Old Age Assistance, Dracut \$39.63; Bureau Old Age Assistance, Chelmsford \$268.95; Lowell Visiting Nurse Association \$5.00; Various Persons \$57.10; TOTAL \$403.83; FIRE DEPARTMENT: Lowell Gas Light Company \$2.54; HEALTH DEPARTMENT: City of Boston \$65.00; TOWN COMMON: Norman E. Day \$41.40; VOCATIONAL TUITION: City of Lowell \$320.00; City of Boston \$3.20; TOTAL UNPAID BILLS: \$1,257.57.

Voted unanimously to take up Articles 38, 39 and 40.

ARTICLE 38. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and directed to petition the General Court for Legislation to authorize the Town to borrow money outside the debt limit for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a School Building. The Vote was YES 135; NO 118 and was a hand vote

counted by John W. Spinner, William L. Wall, Fisher Buckshorn and Harry W. Gibson, Tellers appointed by the Moderator and sworn in by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 39. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to authorizing the Selectmen to purchase or take by Eminent Domain for School Purposes certain land and buildings.

ARTICLE 40. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to raising and appropriating \$13,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing the land and buildings described in Article 39.

Voted to take up Article 1.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that a Committee of seven men and women voters be appointed by the Moderator for one year, no one of whom may be a member of the School Committee, and that this Committee shall serve as a School Planning Committee until the next Annual Town Meeting.

Voted to take up Articles 35 and 36.

ARTICLE 35. Voted that the Town, for the purpose of participating in a Union Health District, join with the group of Towns now included in the Organization known as the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, according to the Provisions of Section 27a of Chapter 111 of the General Laws. The Vote was YES 80; NO 45.

ARTICLE 36. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to raising and appropriating money for the expenses involved in membership in the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health.

Voted to take up Article 3, Item 12.

ARTICLE 3. 12. Voted that the sum of \$3,700.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Health Department.

Voted to take up Article 4.

ARTICLE 4. Voted unanimously that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less

than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. Voted that the sum of \$10,125.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that, in addition, the sum of \$18,225.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 6. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, on condition that like amounts be contributed by either or both the State and County respectively, to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 7. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of the Whitney Playground.

ARTICLE 8. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for Band Concerts during the current year.

ARTICLE 9. Voted that the sum of \$285.08 be raised and appropriated for the Machinery Fund, and that the sum of \$3,703.00 be transferred from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 10. Voted that the sum of \$10.00 be raised and appropriated for Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics and that a Director be elected, under the Provisions of Chapter 128, Sections 40-45 of the General Laws, as amended. Mabel M. Nixon was elected Director.

ARTICLE 11. Voted that the Town accept a gift made to it by the Isabel F. Hyam's Fund, Inc., formerly known as the Solomon Hyam's Fund, Inc. and that the Town Clerk be authorized and directed to extend to said Corporation appreciation for this gift.

ARTICLE 12. Voted that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of reconstructing Groton Road and North

Street contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$4,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 13. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of reconstructing the Town Farm Road and reconstructing, repairing, or widening the Town Farm Road Bridge contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 14. Voted that the sum of \$4,374.50 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a Tractor for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. Voted that the sum of \$1,190.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing two Sand Spreaders, two new Snow Mold Boards and Rocker Arms, and if all of said sum be not expended for this equipment and a sufficient sum remains to defray the expense of, purchasing a motor driven pump, that said Pump be purchased.

ARTICLE 16. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to sell and transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the two used Snow Mold Boards and one used motor driven Pump now used by the Highway Department, and to apply the whole or a part of the sum received therefrom against the purchase price of the equipment which the Town voted to purchase under the preceding Article.

ARTICLE 17. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing Road Signs, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 18. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks, said sum of money to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen and for the repair of such public sidewalks at the Selectmen shall determine.

ARTICLE 19. Voted that the sum of \$675.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing approximately 500 Feet of new 2½" Double Jacket Treated Fire Hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 20. Voted that the sum of \$1,525.95 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended.

ARTICLE 21. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of continuing the survey and maps of the Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Assessors.

ARTICLE 22. Voted that the sum of \$800.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of refinishing the interior of the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 23. Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a new Adding Machine for the use of the Town Accountant and such other Town Officers as the Selectmen may designate, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 24. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to sell and transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the Adding Machine now used by the Town-Accountant, and apply the sum received therefrom against the purchase price of the new Adding Machine.

ARTICLE 25. Voted that the sum of \$950.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a new Automobile for the Police Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 26. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to sell and transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the automobile now used by the Police Department, and apply the sum received therefrom against the purchase price of the new car.

ARTICLE 30. Voted that in the event the Westford Water Company during 1949 extends its water mains along West Street in Graniteville, the Selectmen be authorized in the name and behalf of the

Town to enter into a contract with said Water Company for hydrant service from such hydrants as may be installed on said West Street, and that the sum of \$135.00 be raised and appropriated for such hydrant service.

Voted to take up Article 3, Item 5.

ARTICLE 3. 5. Voted that the sum of \$4,365, be raised and appropriated for Fire Hydrants.

ARTICLE 31. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to cutting back the point of the Common where the Cannon is located.

ARTICLE 32. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to raising and appropriating money for cutting back the point of the Common, and relocating the Cannon.

ARTICLE 33. Voted not to have expenditures itemized in the Town Accountant's Report published in the Annual Town Report.

ARTICLE 34. Voted that the term of the office of Constable be changed from a one to a three year term, and that beginning with the next Annual Town Election, the Constable be elected for the term of three years.

ARTICLE 37. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to raising and appropriating \$100.00 for the expenses of the Department of Veterans' Services and compensation of the Director of Veterans' Services.

ARTICLE 41. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to raising and appropriating money for the purchase of Gas Masks for the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 42. Voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 43. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, ATTEST:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk, Westford.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—AUGUST 19, 1949

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Friday, August 19, 1949, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., the following was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from available funds to be added to the sums transferred under Article 12 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 12, 1949, for the purpose of meeting the State's and County's shares of the cost of reconstructing Groton Road and part of North Street, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds.

ARTICLE 2. On a motion that the sum of \$400.00 be transferred from the account entitled "Town Hall Account—General Expenses" and that the further sum of \$1,550.00 be raised and appropriated or transferred from available funds for the purpose of installing a new heating system in the Town Hall, the Moderator declared the voice vote in the negative. The vote being doubted, the Moderator appointed four tellers to count a rising vote. The vote was determined by the tellers as YES 35, NO 103, so the motion was declared lost.

ARTICLE 3. Voted that the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, for the purpose of purchasing a chain power saw, and that the saw be kept under the jurisdiction of the Highway Department for the use of the Highway Department and the Tree Warden; said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to dismiss this article relative to accepting the provisions of Section III, Section IIIA, Section 111B, Section 111D and Section 111E of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended, and which have to do with vacations for Town employees.

ARTICLE 5. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, to the account entitled "Welfare Department—Aid to Dependent Children" for the purpose of defraying the expenses of said Department in connection therewith.

ARTICLE 6. Voted that the sum of \$1,050.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, for the purpose of purchasing and installing two F. M. Radios for the Police Department, said purchase and installation to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 7. Voted unanimously that the Selectmen be authorized to install three street lights on Oak Hill Road.

ARTICLE 8. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to settle on behalf of the Town a claim made against the Town by Henry Payne, Jr.

ARTICLE 9. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$275.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, for the purpose of paying the amount of the settlement authorized under the preceding Article, and the expenses incurred in connection with such settlement.

ARTICLE 10. A motion to dismiss this Article was Lost.

Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized in the name and behalf of the Town to sell for such sum as said Selectmen may deem sufficient, a lot of land, including the house lot, not exceeding four acres in all, being a part of the premises devised to the Town under the eighth clause of the will of Oscar R. Spalding, late of said Westford, deceased testate, said devised premises being commonly known as the Snow Swamp lot, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and behalf of the Town a good and sufficient deed thereof.

ARTICLE 11. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the School Planning Committee appointed under Article 1 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 12, 1949.

ARTICLE 12. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to the Town's withdrawing from the Union Health District known as the Nashoba Associated Board of Health.

ARTICLE 13. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to purchasing gas masks for the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 14. Voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 15. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk of Westford.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—NOVEMBER 9, 1949

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, held at the Town House, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1949, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, being absent, William R. Taylor was nominated Moderator Pro Tem, elected, and sworn in by the Town Clerk, Charles L. Hildreth.

ARTICLE 1. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$2,025.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to be added to the sum transferred under Article 5 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 12, 1949, to meet the State's share of the cost of maintaining Chapter 81 Highways, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 2. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$2,300.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, and that the sum of \$400.00 be transferred from the amount appropriated under Article 3, Item 2 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 12, 1949, the entire sum of \$2,700.00 to be used for the purpose of making repairs and improvements to the present heating system in the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 3. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$3,500.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, in addition to any sums heretofore appropriated, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Welfare Department, divided as follows:

Temporary Aid and Infirmary	\$2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00

ARTICLE 4. Voted to accept the minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk of Westford.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen organized in the beginning of the year with Dr. Cyril A. Blaney, Chairman; Edward F. Harrington, Secretary; and Thomas W. Gower the third member.

The Annual Audit was made by the Director of Accounts and a copy is printed herein.

New street lights were installed and more are yet to be installed. The Lowell Electric Light Company was asked to take care of the installation as soon as possible.

The streets were marked and new signs were installed at the intersections of the streets.

The Town Hall was refinished upstairs, and the Selectmen's and Board of Health and Welfare rooms downstairs were painted.

More work was completed on Town Farm Road but we still need more funds for its completion. An added part of Groton Road and North Street was completed. Additional appropriations are needed for its completion under the supervision of the State Highway Department and our own Superintendent of Streets.

Spraying of the trees for gypsy and brown-tail moth was done very satisfactorily by the Tree Warden.

The heating system was installed in the Town Hall.

The New Graniteville Fire House was completed and accepted. The old fire house was sold by bids to the highest bidder.

The reports of different departments are printed in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRIL A. BLANEY, M. D.

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON,

THOMAS W. GOWER,

Board of Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

The following is my report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1949.

CHAPTER 81 AND GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

The usual highway maintenance was carried out this year, which included the use of gravel, tar, asphalt, sand, pea stone and bituminous concrete patch on our various roads and streets that come under our Chapter 81 Contract.

All our town line signs and most of our street signs have been scraped, painted and relettered.

A new bridge was built on Town Farm Road.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

The usual maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways was carried out again this year under the provisions of the contract.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

The town completed the construction on Groton Road and started on North Street this year, with funds that were provided for under Chapter 90 Construction Contract.

Respectfully submitted,

J. AUSTIN HEALY, Supt.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Westford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1949 for the Police Department.

Report to the Department of Correction has been made.

Arrests made	24
Assault and battery	8
Abandoned autos	4
Auto Violations	14
Auto accidents	28
Auto transfers	96
Auto registration	12
Auto licenses revoked	19
Appeals cases to Superior court	5
Cases in Ayer Court	26
Collected for liquor licenses	\$2,768.00
Complaints against dogs	32
Complaints investigated cruelty to animals	4
Complaints on dead animals left on top of ground	6
Complaints on suspicious persons	22
Camp and houses broken into	7
Dogs killed by automobiles	10
Dogs shot	9
Duty at public gathering	72
Dances	68
Driving under the influence of liquor	7
Driving so as to endanger	6
Disturbance of the peace	21
Drunkenness	21
Driving without a license	5
Fruit thieves	3
Family disturbances	62
Fires attended	12
Funerals attended	26
Idle and disorderly	4
Investigations made	714
Jurors	6

In lockup at town farm	24
Breaking and entering in the night time	4
Men taken to Jail	9
Leaving scene after injury to property	1
Larceny complaints	32
Notices posted	36
Non support	3
Public nuisances in beer places	21
Pedestrians struck by automobiles	2
Petty complaints	321
Summonses and notices served	64
Warrants served	8
Electric wires down on street	12
Inspection of camps when roads are open	
Malicious injury to property	22
Patients taken to Gardner State hospital	7
Driving so as to endanger	5
Lay watching in different places	7
Incest and rape	1

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Officer Connell, and the other Special Officers of the Town of Westford, also the State Police, for their advice, cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectully submitted,

JOHN F. SULLIVAN,

Chief of Police.

JURY LIST, 1950

Name	Occupation	Address
Alling, Francis W.	Weaver	Forge Village Road
Bale, Frank V.	Maintenance Man	Nabnassett Street
Brule, George J.	Millhand	1 Canal Street
Carpentier, Clifford G.	Core Maker	River Street
Carver, William K.	Mechanic	Main Street
Connell, Robert	Clerk	5 Prescott Street
Connolly, John E.	Wool Sorter	Main Street, G.
Cote, Roland J.	Millhand	Broadway
Courchaine, Donald E.	Millhand	10 Orchard Street
Crickett, Joseph M.	Fireman	Prescott Street
Decato, Herbert C.	Restaurant Owner	Lowell Road
Denisevich, Anthony J.	Painter	Broadway
Elliott, Matthew A.	Steam Fitter	Patton Road
Ellison, Frederick J. H.	Wool Sorter	Broadway
Fitzpatrick, Frederick J.	Millhand	7 Palermo Street
Forty, Albert H.	Clerk	Main Street, G.
Gelinas, Wilfred	Millhand	Main Street, G.
Gower, George D.	Machinist	Broadway
Hadley, Emerson E.	Sales Manager	Oak Hill Road
Healy, James L.	Funeral Dir. Apprentice	Second Street
Jewett, Ellsworth J. D.	Teamster	Main Street, G.
Kavanagh, Norman	Millhand	Canal Street
Kelley, James	Wool Sorter	Lincoln Avenue
Lavigne, Francis	Laborer	Nabnassett Street
McKniff, James J.	Painter	Orchard Street
McKniff, Thomas J.	Wool Sorter	12 Palermo Street
Miller, F. Everett	Bus Driver	Main Street
O'Connell, John J.	Assembler	Main Street
Paduano, Frank	Bartender	Groton Road
Palmer, Warren R.	Garage Owner	Main Street, G.
Peterson, Edgar S.	Salesman	Coolidge Avenue
Poulin, Ernest L.	Research Operator	Oak Hill Road
Regan, John E.	Millhand	River Street
Reynolds, Maxwell W.	Farmer	Main Street
Scott, David C.	Carpenter	Forge Village Road
St. Onge, Edward J.	Machinist	Maple Street
Thompson, Joseph M.	Photographer	Prescott Street
Wark, Alfred T.	Machinist	Old Lowell Road
Wyman, William W.	Carpenter	Groton Road
Young, Wallace N.	Wool Sorter	Bradford Street

CYRIL A. BLANEY

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

THOMAS W. GOWER

Selectmen of Westford.

February 17, 1950

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of the Town of Westford:

I herewith present the annual report of the Town Accountant in accordance with the General Laws.

All are reminded by the accountant that all books are open to the public for inspection at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA FLETCHER,
Town Accountant.

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

Current year

Poll	\$ 2,292.00
Personal	17,357.87
Real Estate	140,538.27

\$160,188.14

Previous Years:

Poll	\$ 12.00
Personal	565.44
Real Estate	12,256.62

\$ 12,834.06

Tax Title Redemptions	996.41
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Licenses and Permits:

Liquor	\$ 3,334.57
Common Victualler	6.00
Amusement	80.00
Theater	51.00
Ice Cream Permits	17.00
Sunday	12.00
Used Car Dealer	5.00
Peddler	15.00
Taxi	4.00

Pistol	5.00	
Junk	5.00	
Camp Permits	4.50	
Milk Permits	11.50	
Oleo Permits	3.50	
Gasoline	38.25	
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		\$ 3,592.32

Payroll Deductions:

Withholding Tax	11,744.72	
Retirement System	2,412.48	
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		\$ 14,157.20

From State:

Corporation Taxes	\$ 43,122.72	
Income Taxes	49,705.71	
Old Age Meal Tax	914.54	
Franchise Tax	47.16	
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		\$ 93,790.13

Dog Taxes:

From County	\$ 722.27	
From Town	1,038.40	
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		\$ 1,760.67

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax:

Current Year	\$ 16,025.55	
Previous Years	377.02	
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		\$ 16,402.57

Sale of Real Estate	\$ 1,010.00
Hyam Gift Fund	300.00

Grants from Federal Government:

Old Age Assistance	\$ 21,211.12	
Aid Dependent Children	2,418.79	
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		\$ 23,629.91

Court Fines	\$	115.00
Departmental Revenue:		
Land Court Refund		30.00
Tailings Account		40.10
Ambulance Fund		10.00
Town Hall:		
Rent	\$	260.00
Other		24.72
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	\$	284.72
Tax Collector		32.46
Welfare:		
Infirmory, town	\$	8,059.45
Infirmory, other towns		965.44
Temporary Aid		185.00
Aid Dependent Children		1,686.61
Old Age Assistance		15,077.63
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	\$	25,974.13
Veterans' Benefits, State		400.12
Schools:		
Tuition	\$	1,325.20
From State		6,033.65
Retirement System		354.57
Vending Machine		12.40
Lost Books		3.52
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	\$	7,729.34
Library, fines and sales		68.91
Sealer of Weights and Measures		70.20
Highway:		
Chapter 81	\$	20,801.07
Chapter 90		7,743.44
From County		4,745.26
Machinery Fund		4,719.50
Work for Individuals		452.80
Sale of Materials		116.44
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	\$	38,578.51

Cemeteries:

Sale of Lots	\$ 185.00	
Care of Lots	566.00	
Digging graves	517.00	
Grading lot	5.00	
		\$ 1,273.00

Withdrawals:

Metcalf Monument	\$ 25.00	
Playground Fund	250.00	
		\$ 275.00

Interest:

Perpetual Care	\$ 628.75	
Investment Funds	398.47	
Deferred Taxes	440.80	
Tax Titles	49.24	
Metcalf Monument	32.50	
Sale of Lots	6.27	
		\$ 1,556.03

Refunds, Departmental	135.66
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Cemetery Trust Funds:

Perpetual Care	\$ 1,170.00	
Wilkins Fund	35.00	
		\$ 1,205.00

Total Receipts	\$406,439.69
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Balance on Hand January 1, 1949	97,998.01
	<u>\$504,437.70</u>

EXPENDITURES

General Government:

Selectmen:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 845.00	
Advertisements	90.76	
Dues	28.00	
Stationery and Printing	12.53	
		\$ 976.29

Town Accountant:

Salary	\$ 1,100.00	
Binding Ledgers	21.00	
Advertising	3.75	
Stationery and Printing	37.48	
Notary Fees	10.62	
		\$ 1,172.85
New Adding Machine		186.00

Town Treasurer:

Salary	\$ 1,880.00	
Printed Envelopes	151.04	
Printing and Postage	20.27	
Bond and Insurance	172.00	
Dues	1.00	
		\$ 2,224.31

Tax Collector:

Salary	\$ 1,600.00	
Printed Envelopes	171.40	
Stationery and Printing	102.55	
Surety Bond	209.00	
Prepare Tax Takings	53.50	
Advertising	65.00	
Dues	1.00	
		\$ 2,202.45

Assessors:

Wages	\$ 1,431.50	
Clerks' Wages	188.40	
Dues	6.00	
Printing Maps	16.00	
Assessors' Magazine	14.00	
Printing and Postage	139.04	
		\$ 1,794.94

License Expense	89.58	
Finance Committee	10.00	
Town Counsel	300.00	
Tax Title Expense	207.47	
Maps and Survey	496.00	

Town Clerk:

Salary	\$ 400.00	
Recording Fees	208.00	
Surety Bond	7.50	
Binding Records	50.00	
Stationery and Printing	87.71	
Town Clerk Convention and Dues	44.64	
Oaths to Officials	10.25	
Express Charges	2.57	
		\$ 810.67

Registration and Election:

Wages, Registrars' Meetings \$	63.00	
Wages, Election Officers	179.00	
Listing	712.00	
Rent of Halls	23.00	
Advertising	27.00	
Checkers, Town Meeting	14.00	
Stationery and Printing	77.87	
Preparing Register	55.00	
Maps	11.60	
		\$ 1,162.47

Town Hall:

Janitor's Wages	\$ 1,680.64
Painting Lower Offices	147.00
Painting Tower	85.00
Janitor's Supplies	153.74
Light	123.24
Telephone	215.59
Repairs to Town Hall	148.12
Fuel	389.22
Water	16.00
Box Rent	1.80
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	\$ 2,960.35

Plans, Town Hall Heating System	229.60
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	\$ 14,822.98

Protection of Persons and Property:

Insurance:

Compensation	\$ 1,657.34
Fire	2,718.68
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	\$ 4,376.02

Police Department:

Salaries	\$ 6,396.00
Special Officers	606.50
Assistant's Auto Expense	900.00
Auto Repairs	172.45
Police Supplies	78.83
Tires	77.78
Telephone	226.64
Garage Rent	48.00
Gasoline and Oil	545.28
Radio Service	50.00
Insurance	122.47
Dues and Police Convention ..	39.00
Printing and Stationery	43.73
Typewriter	116.23
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	\$ 9,422.91

New Police Car	669.00
New Police Radios	1,050.00

Fire Department:

Salaries	\$ 1,826.35
Insurance	1,304.35
Repairs and Equipment	587.11
Fuel	744.42
Lights	172.51
Telephone	203.56
Gasoline	226.39
Cylinders for Air Masks	124.07
Extinguishers	146.00
Tires and Tubes	340.83
Department Supplies	168.20
Repairs, Fire Sirens	97.64
Moving Graniteville Siren	121.38
Special Control Circuit	224.15
Batteries and Chains	138.25
Firemen's Boots	70.13
Dues	12.00
Water	27.20
Repair Fire Cottage	277.15

\$ 6,811.69

New Fire Hose	\$ 650.00
New Graniteville Fire House	2,751.32
Fire Hydrants	4,432.50
Salary, Permanent Man	500.00

Forest Fires:

Payroll and Maintenance	1,584.97
Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00
Tree Warden	442.84
New Power Saw	445.00
Moth Department	1,120.59

New Road Signs:

Work on Signs	\$ 336.97
Street Markings	479.10

\$ 816.07

\$ 35,197.91

Health Department:

Health Department (see report)	\$ 3,796.31
Nashoba Health District	1,144.47
Cattle Inspector	200.00
Middlesex County T. B. Hospital	1,574.72

\$ 6,715.50

Highway Department:

Street Lights	\$ 7,155.61
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Snow and Ice Removal:

Salaries	\$ 4,955.93
Hired Trucks	1,377.80
Sand	942.45
Salt	701.81
Blades for Plows	331.00
Gasoline	747.34
Grease	27.00
Equipment and Repairs	867.19
Anti-freeze	56.16

\$ 10,006.68

Town Roads Account:

Salaries	\$ 542.65
Lumber	80.33
Asphalt	171.75
Equipment and Repairs	55.60
Cement	58.55
Gravel	39.75
Granite	5.13

\$ 953.76

Chapter 81 Roads:

Salaries	\$ 15,384.67
Fence Construction	1,087.50
Stone and Gravel	2,402.47
Sand	1,013.20
Asphalt	10,486.51

\$ 30,374.35

New Tractor \$ 4,321.19

Chapter 90 Roads:

Salaries	\$ 495.52	
Sand	162.48	
Gravel	412.34	
Asphalt	1,171.51	
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		\$ 2,241.85

Sidewalk Repairs:

Salaries	\$ 208.32	
Asphalt	288.96	
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		\$ 497.28

Groton Road Construction:

Salaries	\$ 7,843.47	
Pipe	650.65	
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		\$ 7,994.12

Town Farm Road:

Salaries	\$ 3,692.14	
Granite	316.66	
Cement	136.19	
Asphalt	69.80	
Pipe	2,783.20	
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		\$ 6,997.99

Machinery and Equipment:

Equipment and Repairs	\$ 1,507.90	
Gasoline	1,268.11	
Grease	71.38	
Oil	102.36	
Power Gun	120.98	
Tires	505.13	
Garage	569.00	
Insurance	596.35	
Paint	11.36	
Advertising	3.60	
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		\$ 4,756.17

Sand Spreaders	384.20	
New Snow Plows	754.95	
Hydraulic Lifts for Plows	125.85	
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		\$ 76,564.00

Welfare Department: (see reports)

Temporary Aid	\$ 8,918.25	
Infirmary	10,648.86	
Old Age Assistance	42,276.88	
Aid Dependent Children	7,566.67	
Old Age Assistance, administration	1,029.80	
Aid Dependent Children, administration	92.50	
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		\$ 70,532.96

Veterans Benefits:

Administration	\$ 580.00	
Printing and postage	17.82	
Dues	5.00	
Photo Supplies	6.24	
Fuel	141.10	
Groceries	987.72	
Medical	373.45	
Rent	220.00	
Cash Grants	355.54	
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		\$ 2,686.87
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		\$ 2,686.87

School Department (see report)	\$127,614.95
Vocational Tuition	1,405.46
School Planning Board	600.00
Library	4,409.52

Cemeteries:

Administration	\$ 200.00
Labor	2,293.70
Granite Markers	148.75
Printing	136.19
Loam	35.00
Trees and Shrubs	237.00
Repairs and Equipment	262.75
Repair Mowers	255.18
Lumber	23.07
New Mowers	236.95
Safe Deposit Box	12.00

\$ 3,841.09

Other for Cemeteries:

Perpetual Care	\$ 1,773.75
Wilkins Fund	35.00

\$ 1,808.75

\$ 5,649.84

Unclassified:

Unpaid Bills of Previous	
Years	\$ 1,257.57
Town Common	299.21
Whitney Playground	532.82
Whitney Shade Tree	5.00
Metcalf Monument	77.50
Home Economics	10.00
Printing Town Reports	995.28
Tailings	8.00
Memorial Day	343.74
Retirement System	1,525.95
County Tax	9,966.70
Withholding Tax	11,744.72
Retirement System Fund	2,412.48
Dog Taxes to County	1,197.80
Band Concerts	400.00
Claim for Damages	246.50

\$ 31,023.27

\$ 31,023.27

State Taxes:

Parks and Reservations	\$	436.44
State Audit		499.59

\$ 936.03

\$ 936.03

Refunds:

Motor Vehicle Excise	\$	354.56
Real Estate		49.50

\$ 404.06

\$ 404.06

Total Expenditures

\$378,593.35

Balance on hand,

December 31, 1949

125,844.35

\$504,437.70

TOWN OF WESTFORD — BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1949

ASSETS

Cash:	
In Bank and On Hand	\$125,844.35
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes	
Levy of 1948:	
Real Estate	\$ 1,148.55
Levy of 1949:	
Poll tax	86.00
Personal Property	692.97
Real Estate	10,364.58
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	
Levy of 1949	994.17
Tax Titles	
Tax Possessions	
Departmental:	
Health	202.86
Temporary Aid	2,045.85
Infirmary	421.60
Aid Dependent Children	736.67
Old Age Assistance	194.78
School	28.62
Cemetery	243.00

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Trust Fund Income:	
Whitney Playground Fund	\$ 38.43
Whitney Shade Tree Fund	28.11
Library	6.17
	\$ 72.71
Due County—Dog Taxes	90.80
Sale of Cemetery Lots	384.81
Sale of Real Estate	1,010.00
Tailings	136.25
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	5,922.63
Overlay Reserved for Abating:	
Levy of 1948	\$ 429.03
Levy of 1949	2,070.97
	2,500.00
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 994.17
Departmental	3,873.38
Tax Title Revenue	2,495.03
Highway	1,860.73
	9,223.31
Unexpended Federal Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	\$ 350.43
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	31.71
Aid Dependent Children	506.26
Aid Dependent Children, Adm.	46.86
	935.26

Highway—State Chapter 81	1,860.73	Unexpended Appropriation Balances:	
Underestimate:		Refinish Town Hall	\$ 800.00
State and County Tax	1,156.36	Town Hall Heating System	2,700.00
		School Planning Committee	400.00
		Celebrating Veterans	1,000.00
		Highway Machinery Fund	4,719.50
		Overestimates:	
		Nashoba Health District	\$.03
		Middlesex T. B. Hospital	240.13 \$ 240.16
		Surplus Revenue	118,330.69
	<u>\$148,466.12</u>		<u>\$148,466.12</u>

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:

Principal
Income

TRUST FUNDS

\$ 62,504.19	Whitney Shade Tree Fund	\$ 2,500.00
10,725.31	Library Trust Funds	13,706.08
	Emily Fletcher Library Lecture Fund	2,000.00
	Whitney Playground Fund	10,000.00
	Metcalf Monument Fund	1,300.00
	Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery Fund	1,413.11
	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	31,585.00
	Whitney Shade Tree Income	379.20
	Library Trust Fund Income	711.91
	Emily Fletcher Library Lecture Fund Income	388.19
	Whitney Playground Income	326.37
	Metcalf Monument Fund Income	602.75
	Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery Fund Income	296.80
	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds Income	8,020.09
		<u>\$ 10,725.31</u>
<u>\$ 73,229.50</u>		<u>\$ 73,229.50</u>

REPORT OF STATE AUDITOR

TOWN OF WESTFORD—BALANCE SHEET—MAY 10, 1949

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash:		Payroll Deductions:	
In Bank and Office.....	\$ 72,031.96	Federal Taxes.....	\$ 63.44
Accounts Receivable:		Retirement System.....	42.48
Taxes:		Dog Licenses—Due County.....	105.92
Levy of 1948:		Overestimate—County Tuberculosis	286.20
Personal Property.....\$ 215.88		Hospital Assessment, 1948.....	56.78
Real Estate.....5,912.57		Cemetery Perpetual Care.....	100.00
Levy of 1949:		Bequests.....	253.54
Poll.....1,458.00	7,586.45	Sale of Lots and Graves Fund.....	300.00
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		Sale of Real Estate.....	407.00
Levy of 1948.....16.00		Road Machinery Fund.....	
Levy of 1949.....2,714.46	2,730.46	Trust Fund Income:	
Tax Titles.....1,489.78		Whitney Shade Tree Fund.....	43.11
Tax Possessions.....1,631.51	3,121.29	Metcalf Monument Fund.....	20.00
Departmental:		Tailings.....	144.25
Temporary Aid.....961.85		Unexpected Federal Grants:	
Aid to Dependent Children.....1,045.89		Aid to Dependent Children—	
Old Age Assistance.....2,877.55		Aid.....	245.51
		Aid to Dependent Children—	
		Administration.....	90.99

Infirmary	537.30	Old Age Assistance—	
Schools	15.76	Administration	516.40
Veterans' Services	81.30	Old Age Assistance—	
Cemetery	415.00	Assistance	6,639.24
State Aid to Highways:		Appropriation Balances	\$210,606.05
Chapter 81	18,225.00	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	5,922.63
Chapter 90	2,000.00	Overlay Reserved for	
County Aid to Highways	1,000.00	Abatements:	
Revenue 1949	\$283,639.75	Levy of 1948	463.99
Less—Estimated Receipts		Revenue Reserved Until	
Collected	71,159.83		
	\$212,479.92		
Underestimates:			
State Parks and Reservations		Collected:	
Assessments, 1948	42.30	Motor Vehicle and Trailer	
County Tax, 1948	514.71	Excise	\$ 2,730.46
		Tax Titles and Tax	
		Possessions	3,121.29
		Departmental	5,934.65
Accounts to be Provided for:		State and County Aid to	
County Tuberculosis Hospital		Highways	21,225.00
Assessments, 1949	1,574.72		33,011.40
Overlay, 1949	30.00	Surplus Revenue	68,058.45
			\$327,271.46

TRUST FUNDS

Trust Funds, Cash and
Securities:

Principal -----

\$ 62,154.19

Whitney Shade Tree Fund.....	\$ 2,500.00
Library Trust Funds	13,706.08
Emily Fletcher Library	
Lecture Fund	2,000.00
Whitney Playground Fund	10,000.00
Metcalf Monument Fund	1,300.00
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery	
Fund	1,413.11
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	31,235.00
Whitney Shade Tree Fund	\$ 62,154.19
Income	336.51
Library Trust Funds Income.....	519.29
Emily Fletcher Library Lecture	
Fund Income	370.41
Whitney Playground Fund	
Income	450.89
Metcalf Monument Fund	
Income	586.40
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery	
Fund Income	272.82
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	
Income	7,326.97
	\$ 9,863.29

Income -----

9,863.29

\$ 72,017.48

\$ 72,017.48

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The Board of Fire Engineers submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1949.

The three Companies responded to 32 alarms other than Forest Fires, namely: 3 automobile, 3 oil burner, 4 false, 5 chimney, 1 lumber pile, 7 dump, 4 house, 1 garage, 1 sawdust pile and 3 still. They also responded to 45 brush and grass fires making a total of 77 calls answered.

Mr. Robert Spinner, with the help of Mr. George St. Onge and several others has again done a fine service in operating the ambulance. These men responded to 81 calls this year most of which were to Lowell Hospitals. It must be remembered that this service is performed free of charge and they are deserving of many thanks.

Only routine maintenance and repairs were required this year and we are pleased to report that all apparatus and equipment is in good shape. All buildings are in good shape with the possible exception of the Westford station which needs general repairs to the lower floor. Water has damaged the floor and it should be protected.

In order to have an extra load of 2½" hose for the apparatus in each of the three stations it is necessary to maintain a total inventory of approximately 7,000 ft. At the present time we have approximately 6,500 ft. including 500 ft. which was purchased this year. Assuming that 500 ft. were purchased each year, this would mean that eventually our inventory would always include 500 ft. which was at least 14 years old. On this basis we feel that it is logical to continue with this purchase plan.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND D. ROGERS

HAROLD E. WRIGHT

RICHARD W. HALL.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Balance on hand January 1, 1949	\$ 97,998.01
Total Receipts to December 31, 1949	406,439.69
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	\$504,437.70
Balance on hand December 31, 1949	\$125,844.35
Total payments to December 31, 1949	378,593.35
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	\$504,437.70

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLOTTE P. GREIG, Treasurer.

REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

Westford, Mass, Feb. 11, 1950

Board of Selectmen

Westford, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

I am asking \$1,500.00 for the usual expenses of this department and \$450.00 to buy 1000 feet of Forestry Hose.

The present Forestry Truck is 19 years old, a Ford, 4 cylinder truck. This truck should be replaced next year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO R. LARKIN,

Forest Warden.

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

\$1,200 was appropriated for the control of Gypsy Moths and other insects. \$585 of this sum was unexpended.

There was one good spray put on the trees, using Resatox emulsion. The spray truck broke down and required a new motor.

There are no cases of Dutch elm disease in the town of Westford at the present time, but it is all around us. Chelmsford has 14 cases. Mr. McKenzie of the University of Massachusetts recommends the felling and burning of all dead elms as the best means of preventing the spread of the disease. This includes the trees on private property.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. FITZPATRICK

Moth Superintendent.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

The tree department has removed 26 dead and dangerous trees.

Trimming was done in the north end of town.

The Electric Light Company and the Telephone Company trimmed along their lines.

\$600 was appropriated for tree work. There remains in the tree fund \$157.

The Tree Department, working with the Highway Department, removed approximately 47 trees on the Groton Road in Graniteville.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. FITZPATRICK

Tree Warden.

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

As Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Westford, I submit the following report for the year 1949.

Number of Platform Scales over 10,000 lbs.	2
Number of Platform Scales 100 to 5,000 lbs.	31
Number of Platform Scales under 100 lbs.	31
Number of Weights—Sealed	20
Number of Liquid Measures over 1 gal.	6
Number of Gasoline Meters one inch	16
Number of Vehicle tank systems	5
Number of Kerosene Pumps	7
Total	118

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT A. HILDRETH,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949

Value of Buildings, January 1, 1949	\$2,809,155.00
Value of Land, January 1, 1949	825,810.00
Value of Personal Property, January 1, 1949	430,356.00
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Total Valuation	\$4,065,321.00

APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1949

Annual Town Meeting, March 7, 1949	\$ 292,335.74
State Taxes	810.19
County Taxes	11,308.04
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,144.50
1949 Overlay Fund	4,391.25
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Total Amount to be Raised	\$ 309,989.72

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$ 136,860.20
Total Amount to be Raised on Polls and Property	173,129.52
Total Excise Commitments	17,524.37

Tax Rate \$42.00 per Thousand.

Number of Polls	1,193
Number of Horses	47
Number of Cows	319
Number of Neat Cattle	85
Number of Swine	303
Number of Sheep and Goats	29
Number of Fowl	37,020
All Others	74
Number of Acres of Land	18,000
Number of Dwellings	1,203

ABATEMENTS

	Polls	Property	Excise
1947	—	\$ 10.00	—
1948	—	109.87	\$ 9.17
1949	\$80.00	2,240.28	659.67

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL J. ROLLINS
VICTOR B. DALY
JOHN J. O'CONNELL
Assessors of Westford.

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my report as Tax Collector for the Town of Westford for the year ending Dec. 31, 1949.

Any questions in regard to the assessment of taxes should be presented to the Board of Assessors.

Amount Outstanding Dec. 31, 1949

Warrant Dated:

June 26, 1947 Real Estate	\$ 2,403.55	none	
April 8, 1948 Poll	12.00	none	
May 18, 1948 Real Estate	11,395.64		1,148.55
Dec. 8, 1948 Real Estate	133.93	none	
May 18, 1948 Personal Property	549.55	none	
Dec. 8, 1948 Personal Property...	22.70	none	
Feb. 27, 1948 Excise	21.88	none	
April 12, 1948 Excise	3.81	none	
June 14, 1948 Excise	11.15	none	
July 15, 1948 Excise	4.00	none	
Sept. 13, 1948 Excise	2.00	none	
Oct. 20, 1948 Excise	34.11	none	
Nov. 17, 1948 Excise	67.69	none	
Dec. 8, 1948 Excise	86.38	none	
Dec. 27, 1948 Excise	39.72	none	
1948 Tax committed Jan. 13, 1949			
Excise	107.75	none	
1948 Tax committed Jan. 31, 1949			
Excise	6.12	none	
April 1, 1949 Poll	2,344.00		26.00
April 20, 1949 Poll	42.00	none	
Dec. 9, 1949 Poll	22.00		10.00
May 27, 1949 Real Estate	152,668.53		10,065.33
Dec. 9, 1949 Real Estate	586.95		299.25
May 27, 1949 Personal Property	18,074.99		680.37
Dec. 9, 1949 Personal Property	16.80		12.60
Feb. 8, 1949 Excise	485.48	none	
Feb. 16, 1949 Excise	897.56	none	
April 1, 1949 Excise	3,731.17		41.22
April 20, 1949 Excise	1,765.69	none	
May 24, 1949 Excise	2,153.00	none	

June 9, 1949 Excise -----	2,297.27		41.87
July 12, 1949 Excise -----	345.02	none	
Aug. 29, 1949 Excise -----	1,797.83		90.12
Sept. 23, 1949 Excise -----	1,294.50		217.08
Nov. 15, 1949 Excise -----	1,851.29		319.53
Nov. 22, 1949 Excise -----	344.28		78.44
Dec. 6, 1949 Excise -----	235.53		80.16
Dec. 27, 1949 Excise -----	128.80		102.89

Total Warrants -----	\$205,972.64
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Total Outstanding Dec. 31, 1949

\$ 13,213.41

DAVID I. OLSSON,

Tax Collector.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD BOARD OF HEALTH

The Westford Board of Health submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1949:

The Board of Health organized in March with Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., chairman, Dwight W. Cowles, M.D., Secretary, and Ralph E. Cole, M.D., as the third member.

The Board of Health wanted to hire a school dentist but was unable to do so on account of not having the usual place to hold these clinics.

The usual vaccination and diphtheria clinics were held. These clinics have been held for the past 22 years as Westford was one of the first towns in the state to conduct diphtheria clinics. A number of children received booster doses to increase their immunity.

The Well Child Clinics have been held under the auspices of the Board of Health with Dr. Sidney Cobb, Director of the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, being the attending physician.

The milk situation has been well supervised by the Board of Health agents.

The Board of Health has functioned well during the year receiving the fullest cooperation of its members. The work and cooperation of the Public Health Nurse was highly commendable as shown by her report to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRIL A. BLANEY

DWIGHT W. COWLES

RALPH E. COLE

Westford Board of Health.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Chairman
Westford Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the public health nurse from January 1, to December 31, 1949:

Absentees from school visited in their homes.....	181
Children taken home from school because of illness.....	31
Children taken to school physician	42
Contagious disease cases visited	50
Nursing visits	201
Home visits	216
To Crippled Children's Clinic at St. John's Hospital.....	6
To Speech Clinic at St. John's Hospital.....	7
To Eye Clinic at St. John's Hospital.....	15
To Physicians' Optical Co.	3
To Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic at St. John's Hospital.....	5
To Medical Clinic at St. John's Hospital.....	1
To Skin Clinic at St. John's Hospital.....	3
To St. John's Hospital for Tonsil and Adenoid operation.....	1
To St. John's Hospital to be admitted.....	1
To St. Joseph's Hospital for X-ray.....	1
To Pediatric Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	4
To Surgical Clinic at Mass. General Hospital.....	1
To Lowell General Hospital to be admitted	1
To Orthopedic Clinic at Mass. General Hospital.....	1
To Chest Clinic at Nashoba Building, Ayer.....	7
To Middlesex County Sanatorium to be admitted.....	1
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for X-ray.....	31
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for treatment.....	48
Board of Health Meetings attended.....	10
Well Child Conferences conducted by Dr. Sidney Cobb for Board of Health	9

120 visits made by 54 children

Diphtheria Immunization Clinics conducted by Board of Health:

Number of inoculations	23
Booster doses	165
Number of children receiving triple vaccine.....	5

Vaccination Clinics conducted by Board of Health:

Number of children vaccinated..... 35

Dangerous Diseases Reported to Board of Health:

Anterior Poliomyelitis	2
Chicken Pox	17
Cat bite	1
Dog bite	28
German Measles	2
Measles	40
Mumps	5
Scarlet Fever	14
Septic Sore Throat	2
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	4
Whooping Cough	2

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HEALY, R.N.

RECEIPTS HEALTH DEPARTMENT, 1949

Milk Dealers' Permits	\$ 13.50
Oleomargarine Permits	3.50
Permits to Manufacture Ice Cream	15.00
Camp Licenses	4.50
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	\$ 36.50

EXPENDITURES HEALTH DEPARTMENT, 1949

Administration

Salaries and Wages	\$ 132.00
All Other	36.10
Tuberculosis, Board and Treatment	460.00
Contagious Diseases	35.00
Nurse, Salary	2,100.00

Auto:		
Upkeep	357.64	
Insurance	56.19	
Dump	184.00	
Milk, Inspections and Samples	57.00	
Other Inspections	51.00	
Clinics	327.38	
		\$3,796.31
Balance		23.69

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Animal Inspector	\$ 200.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	1,574.72
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,144.47

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Chairman
Westford Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir: ,

Following is the report of the Inspector of Animals from January 1, to December 31, 1949:

Quarantining 29 dogs and 1 cat.....	60 visits
Inspecting barns and animals.....	58 barns
No. of cows 2 years and older.....	309
Heifers 1-2 years	101
Heifers 1 year	23
Bulls	14
Horses	25
Pigs	579
Sheep	37
Steers	3
Goats	11
Inspecting cattle shipped from another state.....	22

Sent 45 reports to the state

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. BLODGETT
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

TEMPORARY AID

Appropriated	\$ 17,600.00
Transferred	2,000.00
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	\$ 19,600.00
Expended:	
Infirmery	\$ 10,648.86
Temporary Aid	8,918.25
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	\$ 19,567.11
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Balance	\$ 32.89

The average case load for general relief was ten cases monthly throughout the year. There are still two Westford-settled cases at Tewksbury State Infirmery and outside relief has increased over last year.

Six local persons and three out-of-town were cared for at our Town Infirmery. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Connell resigned in April, 1949 as Matron and Superintendent of the Infirmery and the position has been ably filled by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Rooks. Twice during the year unfortunate families, through loss of their own homes, have been housed here for several weeks and much credit is due the matron and superintendent for their efforts during these times.

The Board recommends that the truck at the farm be replaced during the coming year as the old one is beyond repair at this time.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriations	\$ 5,700.00
Balance, 1948	2.51
Federal Grants Received	2,370.42
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Total	\$ 8,072.93
Expended	7,564.67
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Balance	\$ 508.26
Federal Administration Received	\$ 139.36
Federal Administration Expended	92.50
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Balance	\$ 46.86

Case Load: January and February 3 cases, March 4, April, May, June, July, August 5, September 6, October and November 7, December 6.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriations	\$ 22,000.00
Federal Grants	20,246.46
Refunds	44.25
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Total	\$ 42,290.71
Spent—1949	42,276.88
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Balance	\$ 13.83
Administration Received	\$ 1,061.51
Administration Spent	1,030.15
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Balance	\$ 31.36
State Reimbursement	\$ 14,558.46

Case Load:

January	60	April	59	July	63	October	65
February	61	May	61	August	62	November	67
March	59	June	63	September	64	December	66

INFIRMARY CREDITS

Milk	\$ 5,638.67
Eggs	1,029.51
Potatoes	96.00
Asparagus	141.35
Corn	123.46
Other Vegetables	10.80
Bags	163.83
Plowing	141.50
Teaming	230.90
Telephone	16.80
Dividend	61.52

Bull Service	12.00
Calves	163.00
Fowl	230.11
Board (Chelmsford)	965.44
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	\$ 9,024.89

Wood	\$ 200.00
Inmates Board	2,268.00
Family Boarded	60.00
Family Boarded	250.00
Meals in Lockup	13.00
Clothing, Tobacco and Medical	130.65
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	\$ 2,921.65

INFIRMARY DEBITS

Superintendent and Matron's Salary	\$ 1,704.00
Employee's Wages	592.50
Provisions	1,441.42
Clothing and Dry Goods	86.28
Medical	10.00
Tobacco	34.37
Telephone	111.22
Gas and Electricity	260.23
Household Supplies	15.05
Food Locker	72.32
Oil and Coal	343.56
Gasoline	393.09
Grain and Feed	3,819.75
Veterinary	19.00
Blacksmith	44.00
Pasturing	30.00
Fertilizer	145.38
Seed	190.96
Sawdust and Shavings	23.35
Slaughtering and Curing	12.00
Chicks	81.80
Water Bills	99.40
Beef	97.68
Pigs	276.00
Egg Boxes	9.50
Truck Insurance	62.71

Supplies	138.32
Repairs	379.56
Roof Repair	79.35
Middlesex County Retirement	44.80
Miscellaneous	31.26
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	\$ 10,648.86

Respectully submitted,

WILLIAM L. WALL
SAMUEL RICHARDS
REGINALD BLOWEY
Board Public Welfare.

WESTFORD INFIRMARY APPRAISAL

January 7, 1950

STOCK AND FARM EQUIPMENT

1.	Buck Rake	\$ 100.00
2.	Manure	96.00
3.	One Manure Spreader	75.00
4.	Two One-Horse Hay Rakes	60.00
5.	One Sulky Plow	35.00
6.	One Two-Horse Disc Harrow	35.00
7.	One Potato Digger	65.00
8.	Four Wagons and Two Sleds	45.00
9.	One Tip Cart	50.00
10.	Lumber	150.00
11.	One Drag (Steel Head)	8.00
12.	One Lime Spreader	25.00
13.	One Power Sprayer	25.00
14.	One Two-Horse Corn Planter	50.00
15.	One Two-Horse Cultivator	25.00
16.	One Hay Tedder	40.00
17.	One Tractor Harrow	65.00
18.	One Spring Tooth Harrow	10.00
19.	One Smoothing Harrow	3.00
20.	One Seed Sower and Weeder	35.00
21.	Two One-Horse Cultivators	5.00
22.	Two Walking Plows	15.00
23.	One Two-Horse Hoe	5.00
24.	One Ford Tractor	750.00
25.	One Tractor Plow	90.00
26.	One Tractor Pulley	30.00
27.	One Tractor Cultivator	100.00
28.	One Root Cutter	5.00
29.	Blacksmith Tools	15.00
30.	One Feed Cooker	5.00
31.	One Saw Frame and Two Saws	40.00
32.	One Gas Tank and Gasoline	35.00
33.	One Two-Horse Mowing Machine	75.00
34.	Swine	1,096.40
35.	Wood	60.00
36.	250 Laying Hens	625.00
37.	Milk Room and Milking Equipment	500.00
38.	Thirteen Cows	2,370.00
39.	One Steer	150.00
40.	One Bull	150.00
41.	Two Heifers	120.00

42.	Two Heifer Calves	40.00
43.	One Bull Calf	35.00
44.	Two Calves	25.00
45.	Grain	237.00
46.	Thirty-Five Ton Ensilage	350.00
47.	70 Grain Bags	14.00
48.	One Corn Harvester	75.00
49.	One Ensilage Cutter	125.00
50.	One One-Horse Corn Planter	15.00
51.	One Wheel Barrow	15.00
52.	One Motor Truck	50.00
53.	Harness and Blankets	40.00
54.	Two Horses	100.00
55.	One Hay Fork, Hoist and Motor	195.00
56.	Twenty Tons Hay	400.00
57.	Fence Posts and Insulators	5.00
58.	Grindstone, Motor, and Scythe Grinder	35.00
59.	Chains, Whiffletrees and Eveners	20.00
60.	Farm Tools	95.00
61.	Block and Tackle	7.50
62.	Snow Plow	1.00
63.	One Extension and three step ladders	15.00
64.	One Planet Junior Seeder	10.00
65.	Three Chicken Crates	5.00
66.	One Gas Stove	3.00
67.	Two Cross-Cut Saws	7.50
68.	Garden Hose and Lawn Mower	15.00
69.	Carpenter's Tools	25.00
70.	Fire Hose and Nozzle	56.00
71.	One Electric Drill	30.00
72.	Brooder Equipment	30.00
73.	Soft Coal	185.00
74.	Milk Separator	25.00
75.	Platform Scales	15.00
76.	75 Gallons Fuel Oil	10.00
77.	25 Gallons Motor Oil	27.00
78.	Fertilizer	16.00
79.	Shavings and Sawdust	12.00
80.	Three Dusters	35.00
81.	One Electric Fence Unit	18.00
82.	Wooden Tank and Galvanized Tank	20.00
83.	Land Roller	5.00
84.	22 Steel Cow-Stanchions	44.00
85.	25 Gals. Asbestos Roof Coating	31.20
Total		\$9,757.60

HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT

1. Superintendent's Furniture	\$ 175.00
2. Kitchen and Pantry	425.00
3. Inmates' Furniture	350.00
4. Contents of Attic	50.00
5. Canned Goods and Empty Jars	150.00
6. Provisions	300.00
7. Potatoes and Vegetables	85.00
8. Blankets, Sheets and Towels	135.00
9. Dry Goods	35.00
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Total	\$1,705.00
Grand Total	\$11,462.60

The appraisers found things at the Infirmary in exceptionally fine condition, indicating the care Mr. and Mrs. Rooks have shown.

CHARLES A. BLODGETT

WILLIAM C. MacMILLAN

JOSEPH M. THOMPSON, Clerk.

Appraisers.

REPORT OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

WESTFORD—1949

The dairy projects carried on during 1949 consisted of distribution of information relating to mastitis control in dairy cows. The 1949 Green Pasture Program, in which Otto H. Berchtold, Walter Fletcher, W. C. Greenwood, George R. Tebbetts and Westford Town Farm co-operated, endeavored to promote more efficient dairying. Cooperation was extended to the Dairy Herd Improvement Association, whose members include Walter Fletcher, and to the Selective Breeding Association. The Selective Breeding Association is organized to improve our dairy animals by the use of superior bulls through artificial insemination. General farmers and gardeners used the facilities of our soil testing laboratory.

Poultry projects conducted during the year included the Quality Egg Program, in which W. C. Greenwood, Lucien Lecours, Clarence Mann, Warren Nixon and Roy Pearson cooperated. Through this program poultrymen are assisted in improving their egg handling facilities and practices. Clarence Mann has remodeled the egg room on his farm. Several poultrymen made use of the diagnostic service of the Poultry Disease Program in maintaining flock health during the year. The 1949 Middlesex County Poultry Trade Show held in cooperation with the turkey and poultry associations of the county gave poultrymen an opportunity to see the latest in egg graders, automatic feeders and other equipment. Egg quality and efficient management were the themes of the event.

Weekly radio broadcast was given on station WBZ every Wednesday at 6:45 A. M. of general interest to farm families. A monthly BULLETIN is published covering all phases of extension work and mailed to nearly all farmers in the town. Eleven orchard twilight meetings were held in the various sections of the county. One of these meetings was held in Westford at the Drew Farm Orchard and was attended by over 300 growers.

There were 215 4-H Club members in Westford with clubs organized in foods, clothing, craft, knitting, child care, food preservation, woodworking, poultry and garden. Murray Alcorn received a county medal for his work with meat animals. He was also counselor at the 4-H Club camp. Barbara Kimball received a Bailey medal for outstanding garden work. Betty Morgan was the county winner in the canning project. She was also Camp Spirit at 4-H camp. Edwin Nixon received 100 chicks on his fine poultry work. A 4-H rally was held in the town hall to stimulate interest in 4-H Club Work.

The home agent from the Middlesex County Extension Service presented slip cover demonstration showing the new 5-piece method. A school lunch talk was given in order to encourage more nutritious lunches for school children. The home agent assisted in judging at a local fair. Three community groups participated in the coat construction classes. At the Christmas season, women always welcome the Christmas Kit, a collection of easy-to-make articles for gifts. A monthly service letter sent to many Westford homemakers. Also many are reached through replies to individual phone and mail inquiries on homemaking problems.

The work of the Middlesex County Extension Service is available to all farmers within the county and those who are interested in agriculture, homemaking and boys and girls in 4-H club work.

MRS. MABEL NIXON, Director.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD WATER COMPANY

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1949	\$218,781.41
Additions during the year 1949	13,272.07
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	\$232,053.48

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949

(Cash Basis)

RECEIPTS

Hydrants	\$ 4,432.50	
Public Buildings, Playgrounds, etc.	433.04	
Subscribers	18,204.93	
Service	368.01	
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		\$ 23,438.48

EXPENSES

Wages and Salaries	\$ 5,150.23	
Expense Account and Supplies	4,450.73	
Electric Power and Light	2,782.21	
Taxes	4,095.96	
Service	2,496.29	
Depreciation	3,512.42	
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		\$ 22,487.84
Net operating profit		\$ 950.64

Interest received from Government

Bonds, etc.	\$ 471.49
Profit from Sale of Government Bond	93.60
Profit from Sale of Pipe	200.15

	\$ 765.24
Less Interest paid on Bank Loan	608.33

\$ 156.91

Net Gain for the Year 1949 \$ 1,107.55

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

Westford, Massachusetts

February 9, 1950.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss.

Then personally appeared William R. Taylor and made oath that the above is a true statement of the cost of Construction of the Westford Water Company to December 31, 1949, and of the Receipts and Expenditures from January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949, before me.

PERRY T. SNOW, Notary Public.

My commission expires Oct. 24, 1952.

REPORT OF WESTFORD PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

Your committee, having charge of the Whitney Playground has endeavored to perform its duties faithfully and we believe satisfactorily.

Under our supervision, Mr. John G. Peterson, as caretaker of the lawns and shrubbery, has as always worked with untiring energy and efficiency. This committee has nothing new to report on the care of the trees on Depot Street, which is part of its responsibility. The customary spraying has been carried out under direction of the Tree Warden and we believe has been done satisfactorily.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. HILDRETH
JOHN FISHER
MORRIS A. HALL, Chairman

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The Cemetery Commissioners submit the following report for the year 1949.

We have endeavored to care for the cemeteries as usual. On account of Mr. Blodgett's illness, Mr. Lundberg has superintended the care of the two cemeteries in the north part of the Town in addition to the care of Fairview.

Considering the very dry season, the trees planted at Fairview have come through very well. We still need to set more trees in the new part which we hope to do this year.

The roads in Fairview are very much in need of re-oiling as they are breaking up badly.

We wish to remind those who are not paying for the care of their lots that they should do so promptly.

SEBASTIAN B. WATSON, Chairman
FRED R. BLODGETT
AXEL G. LUNDBERG

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

The Finance Committee submits herewith its recommendations for the 1950 Annual Town Meeting.

In making the recommendations listed below the Finance Committee deemed it inadvisable at the present time to make any further increases in salaries other than in the School Department where the State Law made certain adjustments necessary.

General Government—5.70%

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1945-1948	Expenses 1949	Amt. Asked for 1950	Recom- mended for 1950
3- 1	Selectmen	\$ 876.07	\$ 976.29	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	License Expense	69.71	89.58	100.00	100.00
	Accountant	1,160.55	1,172.85	1,175.00	1,175.00
	Treasurer	1,902.54	2,224.31	2,230.00	2,230.00
	Assessors	1,572.31	1,794.94	2,000.00	1,800.00
	Tax Collector	1,815.50	2,202.45	2,200.00	2,200.00
	Tax Title	544.10	207.47	750.00	750.00
	Town Counsel	275.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Town Clerk	591.68	810.67	850.00	850.00
	Election and Registration	1,511.06	1,162.47	2,200.00	2,100.00
23	Assessors—Maps		496.00	500.00	500.00
3- 2	Town Hall	3,274.74	3,360.35	3,411.68	3,411.68
35	Painting of Town Hall			1,350.00	1,350.00

Protection of Persons and Property—9.00%

	POLICE				
3- 3	General Expenses	7,493.16	9,422.91	9,446.00	9,446.00
44	Police Uniforms			225.00	

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1945-1948	Expenses 1949	Amt. Asked for 1950	Recom- mended for 1950
		\$	\$	\$	\$
3- 4	FIRE				
	Permanent Man	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	General Expense	7,160.78	6,811.69	8,000.00	8,000.00
28	Purchase of Fire Hose		650.00	650.00	650.00
29	Repairs—Firehouse Cottage			600.00	600.00
3- 5	Hydrants			4,500.00	4,500.00
41	Hydrant on Hillside Road	3,573.68	4,432.50	35.00	35.00
3- 6	Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
3- 8	Forest Fires	1,409.36	1,584.97	1,500.00	1,500.00
31	Forest Fire Hose			450.00	450.00
3- 9	Town Forest			200.00	200.00
3-10	Tree Warden	466.56	442.04	600.00	600.00
3-11	Moth Department	910.33	1,121.39	1,300.00	1,300.00

Health and Sanitation—1.83%

3-12	Board of Health	3,233.86	3,796.31	4,970.00	4,670.00
26	New Car—Board of Health			800.00	800.00
3-13	Cattle Inspection	162.50	200.00	200.00	209.00

Highway Department—10.63%

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1945-1948	Expenses 1949	Amt. Asked for 1950	Recom- mended for 1950
3-14	Snow and Ice Removal	10,020.14	10,006.68	10,000.00	10,000.00
	Town Roads	729.22	953.76	3,000.00	3,000.00
5	Chapter 81	10,125.00	10,125.00	10,125.00	10,125.00
6	Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,000.00	750.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
7	Equipment Account	1,503.28	4,756.17	4,000.00	4,000.00
8	Chapter 90 Construction (North St.)	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
9	Chapter 90 Construction (Town Farm Road)	—	—	1,000.00	500.00
10	Purchase of Snow Plow	—	1,000.00	450.00	450.00
11	Road Signs	—	300.00	500.00	300.00
12	Purchase of Pump	—	—	90.00	90.00
14	Repair of Fence	—	—	400.00	400.00
15	Road Marking	—	416.07	500.00	500.00
17	Land Damage—North Street	—	—	200.00	200.00
18	Repair Sidewalks	484.57	497.28	500.00	500.00

Charities—18.12%

3-15	Old Age	\$ 16,513.04	\$ 21,666.00	\$ 25,800.00	\$ 25,800.00
	Aid to Dependent Children	3,087.10	5,200.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
	Temporary Aid	15,490.04	19,567.11	20,000.00	20,000.00
32	New Truck for Town Infirmary	—	—	2,500.00	2,500.00
33	New Gas Stove for Town Infirmary	—	—	350.00	350.00

Soldiers' Benefits—97%

3-16	Soldiers' Benefits	1,200.83	2,686.87	3,000.00	3,000.00
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Schools—44.00%

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses	Expenses	Amt. Asked for 1950	Recommended for 1950
3-17	School Department	1945-1948	1949	133,425.00	132,700.00
3-18	Vocational Tuition	100,138.24	127,644.95	2,500.00	2,500.00
37	Repairs to Cameron School	687.40	1,405.46	1,200.00	1,200.00

Library—1.09%

3-19	Public Library	3,050.00	3,600.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
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Recreation—.34%

3-20	Care of Common	297.68	299.21	300.00	300.00
20	Whitney Playground	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
21	Band Concerts	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
22	Evergreen on Common			50.00	50.00

Unclassified—7.02%

3-21	Commemoration of Memorial Day	282.09	343.74	400.00	400.00
3-22	Publishing of Town Report	795.57	995.28	1,000.00	1,000.00
3-23	Fire and Other Insurance	3,237.80	4,376.02	4,500.00	4,500.00
3-26	Street Lights	6,953.49	7,156.61	7,495.00	7,495.00
49-54	Street Lights			216.00	198.00
3-27	Finance Board Reserve Fund	2,673.83	2,528.04	5,000.00	5,000.00
3-28	Outstanding Bills	1,849.58	1,257.57		
19	Landscaping World War II Monument			200.00	200.00
24	Plaques for Veterans			60.00	60.00
25	Additional Janitor Service (Nabnasset)			300.00	200.00
30	Reconstruction of Water Hole			\$ 500.00	\$ 300.00

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1945-1948	Expenses 1949	Amt. Asked for 1950	Recom- mended for 1950
38	Regional School District Planning Board				
42	Middlesex County Retirement System		1,525.95	100.00	100.00
47	Extension Service	10.00	10.00	2,313.00	2,313.00
3-25	Salaries and Wages	Cemeteries—1.29%			
		3,204.75	3,841.09	4,000.00	4,000.00
3-24	Interest Revenue Loans	Maturing Debt and Interest—0.01%		25.00	25.00
	State and County Taxes			\$312,776.68	\$310,098.68
					15,800.00
	Estimated Receipts				\$325,898.68
					152,000.00
	Amount to be Raised by Taxes				\$173,898.68

The Finance Committee has made its recommendations on articles involving the expenditure of money as listed above. The various articles have been listed under the appropriate classifications. Listed below are the recommendations on other articles.

Art. 4. The authorization of the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue is recommended.

Art. 34. The Finance Committee at the time this report was written has not had sufficient information to make any recommendation on this article.

Art. 38. The Finance Committee recommends the creation of a special unpaid Board to be known as the Regional School District Planning Board to study this development, but is not convinced that a regional school is necessarily the proper solution to the Westford school problem.

Art. 39. The Finance Committee has been advised that the passage of this article recommending the change of the name of a street in Nabnasset, is not legal.

Art. 40. The acceptance of Hillside Ave. by the Town is recommended.

Art. 43. The passage of this article to permit the Town to buy police and firemen's uniforms is not recommended at this time.

Art. 45 &

Art. 46. The Finance Committee has been advised that these articles providing a beach at Long-Sought-For-Pond and a development of a parking lot there are not legal.

Art. 48. The Finance Committee recommends that the gift of the Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc. be accepted and that a vote of appreciation be extended to the donors.

Art. 56. The authorization of the Assessors to use as cash the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars to be applied in determining the tax rate of 1950 is recommended.

If the above recommendations of the Finance Committee are adhered to the tax rate based on a valuation of \$4,065,321 will be approximately \$42.75 per thousand of valuation. For every increase of \$1,000 in expenditures the tax rate will increase approximately 24½ cents.

E. KENT ALLEN
HERFORD ELLIOTT
OTIS DAY
ALBERT FORTY
ALLISTER MacDOUGALL
WILLIAM E. WRIGHT

TOWN OF WESTFORD

WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Westford, in said County.

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth, aforesaid, to notify and warn all the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections, and also in Town affairs, to meet at their several polling places, viz.:

PRECINCT 1. Town Hall, Westford Center.

PRECINCT 2. Legion Hall, Graniteville.

PRECINCT 3. Nabnasset School, Brookside.

PRECINCT 4. Abbot Hall, Forge Village.

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1950

being the first Monday in said month, at 12:00 o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes for the following officers:

One member of Westford Housing Authority for four years. (to fill vacancy).

One member of Westford Housing Authority for five years.

FOR THREE YEARS

One Selectman.

One Member of the Board of Public Welfare.

One Assessor.

Two Members of the School Committee.

One Member of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners.

One Trustee of the Public Library.

One Member of the Board of Health.

One Constable.

One Town Treasurer.

One Tax Collector.

FOR ONE YEAR

One Tree Warden.

All on one ballot.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 8 P. M., and to meet in the Town Hall at Westford Center on the following

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 1950

at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act upon the following articles viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Town Officers and Committees; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To determine the salary and compensation of elected officers and officials as provided by law.

ARTICLE 3. To appropriate money to meet the costs and expenses of the following departments, officers and purposes:

1. General Government.
2. Town Hall.
3. Police Department.
4. Fire Department.
5. Hydrants.
6. Sealer of Weights and Measures.
7. Fish and Game Warden.
8. Forest Fires.
9. Town Forest.
10. Tree Warden.
11. Moth Department.
12. Health Department.
13. Cattle Inspector.
14. Highway purposes.

15. Department of Public Welfare.
16. Soldiers' Benefits.
17. School Department.
18. Vocational tuition.
19. Public Library.
20. Care of Common.
21. Commemoration of Memorial Day.
22. Publishing of Town Reports.
23. Fire and other insurance.
24. Interest on Revenue Loans.
25. Cemeteries.
26. Street Lights.
27. Finance Committee Reserve Fund.
28. Unpaid bills of previous years.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General laws; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway maintenance; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a certain sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing North Street contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing the Town Farm Road contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing for the Highway Department a snow plow for the grader, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing road signs, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a new pump for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the old sand spreader now used by the Highway Department and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the new pump; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of repairing the present fence, or constructing a new fence, on the bridge over Stony Brook in Nabnasset, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Highway Department; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of painting traffic lines and signals on the public ways in said Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Police Department; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to settle a claim for damages against the Town resulting from a taking by the County Commissioners of certain land on North Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 16, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of paying the amount of such settlement and expenses incurred in connection therewith; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars, or some other sum for the purpose of landscaping the grounds around the World War II Monument in Graniteville, said work to be done under the supervision of the Tree Warden; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars, or some other sum, for the care of the Whitney Playground; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (\$400) Dollars, or some other sum, for the Band Concerts during the current year; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and planting an evergreen tree on the Common, said purchase to be made and planting done under the supervision of the Tree Warden, or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of continuing the survey and maps of the Town under the supervision of the Board of Assessors; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing plaques

and flags therefor to be used for the decoration of graves of persons who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of defraying the cost of additional janitor service at the Nabnasset School, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a new automobile for the Health Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Health; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 26, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the automobile now used by the Board of Health and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the new automobile; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing five hundred feet, or some other quantity, of new 2½ inch double jacket treated fire hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of making repairs, alterations or improvements to the Fire House Cottage; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing the water hole on Nonset Brook in Parker Village; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing 1500 feet, or some other quantity, of hose to be used by the Forest Fire Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Forest Warden; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a new truck for the Welfare Department for use at the Town Infirmary, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Public Welfare; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a new gas stove to be used at the Town Infirmary, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Public Welfare; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the Town, to sell for such sum as said Selectmen deem sufficient two or more acres of land owned by the Town and situated on West Street in Graniteville, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and behalf of the Town a good and sufficient deed thereof; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of painting the exterior of the Town Hall; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the old boiler now in the basement of the Town Hall; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Hundred (\$1200) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of making certain improvements to the Cameron School; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to create a special unpaid Board to be known as a Regional School District Planning Board as provided for in Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1949 of the General Laws, to consist of three members, including one member of the School Committee, to be appointed by the Town Moderator, to report at the next special or regular Town meeting, and to appropriate the sum of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of said Board; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote that the name of the Town Road now known as "Off Nabnassett Street" in that section of Westford called Nabnassett be named by sign and recorded as Jonas

Road, Nabnasset, Westford, Mass., and that each domicile on said Road or street be numbered; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept Hillside Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen as shown by the report and plan duly filed in the office of the Town Clerk; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to have a hydrant installed on Hillside Avenue for the purposes of fire protection; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Three Hundred Thirteen (\$2313) Dollars for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 6B, of the General Laws; or act in relation thereto. (Chapter 40, Section 6B—uniforms for police and firemen—A city or town which accepts this Section may appropriate money for the purchase of uniforms for members of its police and fire departments.)

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five (\$225) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing new uniforms for the two regular police officers, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote that the beach on Long-Sought-for-Pond at the junction of Dunstable Road and Long-Sought-for-Pond Road be closed to the general public and be declared open only to residents of Westford, the term residents to include permanent residents and Summer campers and their guests); or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote that the parking of automobiles be restricted in the following manner.

(a) A parking area for not more than twenty-five cars be set aside for residents, in a suitable spot near the beach.

(b) That general parking be prohibited on Dunstable Road and Long-Sought-for-Pond Road within a half mile of the beach, or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten (\$10) Dollars and elect a Director, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 of Chapter 128 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift made to it during the year 1949 by the Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc., or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one street light on Depot Road, near the northerly side of the Stony Brook Railroad crossing, where it will adequately light the area where passenger trains take on and let off passengers, and where United States mail is put on and taken off; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one street light on Chamberlain Road north of Main Street at pole No. 11-34; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one street light on Tyngsboro Road in front of the house of John Psarias; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one or more street lights on Plain Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one or more street lights on Oak Hill Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one street light on Pond Street in Forge Village; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install two street lights on Abbot Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 56. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use as free cash the sum of Eight Thousand (\$8,000.00) Dollars, or some other sum, said sum to be applied in determining the tax rate for the year 1950; or act in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up true and attested copies thereof at the Town Hall and at each Post Office in said Westford, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding the first meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of February in the year of our Lord, 1950.

CYRIL A. BLANEY

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

THOMAS W. GOWER

Selectmen of Westford

A true copy

Attest;

Constable of Westford

Annual Report
OF THE
School Committee
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,
1949

ORGANIZATION — SCHOOL COMMITTEE

F. Stanley Smith, Secretary	Term Expires 1950
James L. Knowlton	Term Expires 1950
H. Arnold Wilder	Term Expires 1951
Clifford J. Courchaine	Term Expires 1951
Edgar S. Peterson	Term Expires 1952
Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman	Term Expires 1952

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Peter F. Perry

Office—Westford Academy

Telephone 561

Office hours: 8:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.

CLERK

Mrs. Alice Whitcomb

SCHOOL TELEPHONES:

Cameron School 542

Sargent School 553

Wm. E. Frost School 230

Westford Academy 771

Nabnasset School 233

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Westford, Mass.

Tel. 521

SCHOOL NURSE

Dorothy Healy, R. N., Westford, Mass.

Tel. Office 391, Town Hall

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Westford:

The Superintendent's report has been read and accepted by the School Committee.

The schools of Westford have completed a successful year of operation. We have a reasonably good group of elementary school buildings, well maintained, and an efficient personnel of administrators and teachers, all co-ordinated into a smooth working organization administering to the educational needs of our boys and girls.

It is still our hope and desire that some time in the near future we may have a high school that will be adequate to give the large majority of our students who do not enter institutions of higher learning, the kind of education that is rightfully theirs.

The Committee is asking for the sum of \$133,425.00 to operate the schools of Westford for the year 1950 and the sum of \$2,500 for vocational tuition.

Under the provision of a new statute, plus the usual reimbursement for transportation, out-of-town tuition, and state wards, the Town will receive \$41,140.57 which will bring the net expenditure down to about \$92,284.43.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. GATENBY,

Chairman

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Westford School Committee:

I herewith submit my second annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

This report is made at a time when the whole world is in a state of unrest, seething with social reforms, economic and political crises such as we have never experienced before; when lack of courage and faith have led us almost to the brink of complete collapse. The terrific problem which confronts us today is the problem of securing for ourselves and for all others a free world, where freedom and respect for the dignity of man shall prevail. "Individual liberty, rooted in human dignity, is man's greatest treasure"; and this treasure must be guarded at all costs if man is to survive.

What steps then shall we pursue in training the young people entrusted to our care?

(1) First of all, we must train them to have confidence in themselves and in their ability to face problems that may arise.

(2) We must teach them to think; to be kind; and above all else, to be truthful. The familiar lines

"To thine own self be true
And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man"

was never as true as it is today.

(3) We must teach them to have courage; to be able to distinguish right from wrong; honesty from dishonesty; and to take a determined stand on these principles.

(4) We must encourage and help them to develop a solid background of knowledge in respect to the basic fundamentals of our democracy, in order that they may appreciate its value to the utmost.

(5) We must teach them to accept responsibilities bravely; and to help them acquire the right mental and moral attitudes which will serve as a bulwark against any "isms" to which they may be exposed.

Confidence — ability — honesty — courage — knowledge — character — these are the ingredients we would use in moulding the youth of today into the men of tomorrow. May we have the vision and the strength to so train these young people that they will go forward into the future with an abiding confidence in themselves and in their fellowmen; and with a burning desire to make the world a better place because they have lived in it.

To Mr. Peter F. Perry, Superintendent of Schools, Westford Massachusetts

The following is the annual report of the Westford Academy:

TEACHING STAFF

We were exceedingly fortunate this past year inasmuch as we retained all members of our faculty. This was very gratifying to me as we have a faculty of well-qualified, experienced teachers who are devoted to the educational interests of all our boys and girls.

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE

December 1, 1949	Boys	Girls	Total
Post Graduates		4	4
Seniors	14	14	28
Juniors	9	22	31
Sophomores	25	20	45
Freshmen	27	25	52
	—	—	—
Totals	75	85	160

The attendance at the Academy was the highest since I have been here with an average of 95.18% compared with 93.85% last year, and our tardiness this year was .82% compared with that of 1.19% during the past year.

I sincerely urge the parents to continue to have their children in school on time because it not only facilitates the learning processes but also forms a good habit which will be of great value to them when they leave school.

CURRICULUM

In my last report, your attention was called to some of the more significant trends in secondary education, especially as they relate to the interests, aptitudes, and vocational plans of our particular school population. Although it is impossible to introduce many courses because of our limited facilities, it was possible for us to have half-year courses in consumer education and economic geography as well as physical education classes once a week for all freshmen and sophomores. In addition, we hope to have two classes in remedial reading and a class in automobile driver training. I believe that these courses have great social utility and practicality and, therefore, will more adequately prepare our students to become useful members of the community.

NEW SCHEDULE

In the past the time schedule had made provisions for only six periods of forty-five minutes each. To more adequately meet the needs of our science and English classes, as well as to provide time for our physical education program, we have lengthened the school day and shortened the noon recess. This makes it possible for us to have four forty-seven-minute and two hour classes or five forty-minute and two fifty-five-minute classes each day. On our seven-period day, we lose no time from our regular classes for our various activities. Thus far, the new schedule has been most successful.

CLUBS

The new schedule has made it possible for us to have club periods two days a week as well as our assembly programs which are scheduled once every two weeks.

Club participation is voluntary, and a pupil is allowed to participate in two clubs if his marks are satisfactory.

Club	Number of Pupils	Faculty Sponsor
Newspaper	20	Miss Kelly
Photography	20	Mr. Robes
Aviation	35	Mr. Rennie
Dramatic	30	Miss Dohanian
Girls' Glee Club	40	Miss Bennett
Boys' Glee Club	20	Miss Bennett
Handicraft	15	Miss Greenwood
Remedial Reading	10	Miss Rodgers
Student Council	12	Miss Finn

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Assemblies are held every other Wednesday, and we try to alternate student programs with outside speakers or movies. In addition, all national holidays are observed by appropriate ceremonies which are delivered over the loud-speaking system by members of the student body.

Modern and old-fashioned dancing, with instructions given by members of the faculty, is carried on during the noon recess on alternate days.

In addition to the several sponsored by the Student Council, social activities have been presented by each of the classes under the guidance of their respective class advisors.

The Dramatic Club presented "Raggerty Nan" on April 13, 1949; and the play was a decided success due to the splendid cast under the very capable direction of Miss Eliz Dohanian.

Athletics continue to flourish with the boys' teams winning the basketball and baseball championships in the Wachusett League. The boys' basketball team was also selected to play in the Eastern Massachusetts Basketball Tournament—the first team from the Wachusett League ever to be awarded this honor. The girls' basketball team, coached by Miss Eileen Greenwood, showed continued improvement during the season and went to the finals of the Littleton Girls' Tournament after defeating the Wachusett League Champions in the semi-finals.

The highlight of the season's social activities was the annual "Cademy Cabaret" which was put on for the benefit of the Westford Teachers' Association Scholarship Fund. The fine spirit and willingness of the faculty to co-operate in putting on such a splendid production certainly shows the interest our teachers have in the accomplishments of the students.

Ideal conditions again prevailed for our outdoor graduation at the Academy. The entire program was built around the central theme, "Unity, Our Future," and all speaking was done by members of the graduating class—an innovation which seemed to meet with the approval of the audience.

During the year, the students contributed to several fund drives; and, at Christmas, continued the policy of providing gifts for a needy family instead of exchanging presents among themselves.

Since my last report, I am elated over the response to my mentioning that there were no scholarships available at Westford Academy. Two of the leading organizations of the town, with foresight to the future, have each established scholarship funds which will be given to graduates going to recognized colleges. The Westford Teachers' Association and the Westford Citizens' Committee have made it possible for graduates who are qualified to get the benefit of a sum of money which might enable them to go to college or, at least, aid them in paying part of the tuition.

It is also interesting to note that two of our graduates of last year received substantial scholarships in two leading colleges. One of our present students has received his appointment to West Point. A great deal of praise is due this boy as he passed the West Point examinations at the end of his junior year and won the appointment despite the fact that he was in competition with many college students.

GUIDANCE

Our guidance program has been expanded under the qualified direction of Miss Mary Finn who has been relieved of some duties so that she can spend eight periods a week interviewing, testing, securing, and distributing guidance information to students.

We are very grateful to the Westford Academy Trustees for making it possible for us to give the Iowa Tests of Educational Development to all of our students. The results of these tests have been given to the students and parents and used by the teachers in adjusting their teaching to the needs of the individuals in their classes. The Trustees have also supplied us with guidance materials that help the faculty to enrich their courses as well as providing vocational information for students.

CONCLUSION

Education has been defined as a life-long process of the adjustment of the individual to the culture in which he lives. This process of adjustment has evolved from the simple requirements of a primitive culture to the complex necessities of the mechanized society which threatens to destroy itself. In step with this dynamic culture, educational institutions have developed until today we have a highly complex educational system in which the pupil's mental and physical development are nurtured with considerable concern.

The learning process has not changed, but the selection and presentation of subject matter has had to keep abreast of changing conditions. In other words, since the complexity of our present day culture has grown in such detail, the necessity of selecting material from our vast cultural heritage and presenting it to the pupils in a logical and systematic manner is our prime objective.

In Westford Academy, we are trying to meet the challenge by making our program meet the needs produced by our rapidly changing social concepts and thereby continue its reputation as one of the better schools of the state.

In order to meet these ends, we need your continued interest. You must take as active a part as possible in all activities that pertain to the school if Westford Academy is to maintain its high standard.

In conclusion, I wish to state that our accomplishments and gains during the year have been due to the combined efforts of the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, the teachers, the Westford Academy Trustees, the Westford Teachers' Association, the Westford Citizens' Committee, and the citizens of Westford; to all of you, I am greatly indebted.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. CONRAD

Principal, Westford Academy

PERSONNEL

We have had several changes in personnel during the past year although not as many as in previous years.

Miss Helen E. Hume, Supervisor of Music and Art, resigned to accept a position in Newburyport. Miss Barbara L. Bennett, a graduate of Lowell State Teachers College of Music, with a year's experience in teaching, was elected to fill the vacancy.

Four resignations occurred at Cameron School; namely: Miss M. Estelle Guay to continue further study and Mrs. Alice M. Murphy was elected to fill this position; Miss Natalie Hart to teach in Lawrence and she was replaced by Mr. Ernest L. Horne; Miss D. Ethel Cleary, who had been with us for several years, accepted a position in Lowell and Miss Maureen K. Markham was appointed to this

post; and Miss Ruth A. Walker, who had served in our schools for 25 years, left to go to Lowell and Miss Alyce C. Gilligan was elected to fill the vacancy.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

This year we have completed the Curriculum Foundation Series of Basic Readers in grades one through six, and we hope in another year to provide new Literature books for grades seven and eight.

All of our grade schools are equipped with new music books. Some attention must now be given to building up a music library for the high school of books, sheet music, and records. A start has been made but very much more needs to be done.

As a result of the study made by our teachers in the field of arithmetic, we have adopted the Living Arithmetic Series in grades one through six.

For the past few years we have concentrated on Reading, Music, and Arithmetic books, and, as a result, our Social Studies books both in the high school and the elementary schools are in very poor condition. This year we hope to replace these worn-out books with new, up-to-date material which is now available.

BUILDINGS

This year the Cameron and Frost Schools were each given one coat of outside paint, and the two rooms at Nabnasset School, one coat of inside paint.

In order to bring our long range planning on the maintenance of school buildings up to date, the Sargent School should have one coat of outside paint, and the interior of Cameron School one coat.

Each year there is always a certain amount of repair work and it is the policy of the School Board to take care of such jobs as they may arise.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR TEACHERS

The teachers of Westford, with others in the Nashoba Valley, had the privilege of attending a teachers institute at the Lowell Teachers College. The morning was devoted to observation of classes in session taught by the training teachers of the College. At the

afternoon session, discussions were held, and a question period followed on what had been observed in the morning classes. This was a fine project and many teachers have already requested that it be repeated next year.

This year a thorough study of our arithmetic course was made by the teachers. Much time and thought was devoted to this project and as a result we have adopted the Living Arithmetic Series for our schools. Many of the teachers and pupils have told me how much they are enjoying these books and we are expecting better results in the teaching of this subject.

SCHOLARSHIPS

I am very happy at this time to announce two Scholarship Funds now available to members of the graduating classes of the Academy. Some time ago at an Assembly program, the Westford Citizens Committee presented Mr. John T. Conrad with a check for \$200.00 to start a fund, part of which will be used by some member of this year's class planning to attend college.

The Westford Teachers Association also started a fund and one member of the Class of 1949 was awarded a \$100.00 scholarship toward his college expenses.

We are extremely grateful and appreciative for these scholarships. We all agree that it is a most commendable act on the part of both organizations and we hope they will continue their fine work for many years. Would that other such organizations in town might "go and do likewise", in order that more and more deserving students might be benefited in this way. More often than not, receiving a scholarship is the deciding factor in a student's life as to whether he really goes to college, and it is up to every single one of us to see that all deserving students should have that opportunity.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order for John W. Spinner, Jr. a Senior at Westford Academy. John has had the singular honor of being the candidate from this district chosen to attend West Point. In winning this coveted appointment he had to compete with young men who had had one and two years of college training; and we are extremely proud to know that one of our Academy boys was capable of successfully completing the preliminary examinations against such keen competition.

GIFTS

Once more the Trustees of Westford Academy have financed a testing program for the students and have devoted prizes at graduation time. We enjoy the rare privilege of having "Trustees" of our Academy and we appreciate their keen interest in our educational program.

For the third successive year Harold Wright has most generously provided free bus transportation to all the ball games. Such cooperation and loyalty merits a hearty thank you.

The Westford P.T.A. has provided playground equipment for the children at Frost school. This organization is constantly seeking ways to help strengthen the school programs, and this latest project has the enthusiastic support of us all.

Nabnassett boasts lively organizations actively interested in the school program. Among them are the P.T.A., the Boosters, and the American Legion. As a result of their help, the Nabnassett School has benefited to the extent of having blackout curtains, records, plus a Christmas party for children and teachers.

The Westford Citizens Committee again put on an excellent Christmas party for the Frost School children and their parents. This committee is always ready and eager to promote any worthwhile project concerning the schools and the school children.

The Abbot Worsted Company and C. G. Sargent and Sons Corporation through the years have shown their generosity at Christmas time, when they provide the means that make possible Christmas parties and gifts for the school children.

All of these groups and organizations have given in abundance of their time and means and in so doing have earned the commendation and respect of us all.

It has been a privilege to serve you again this year as your school superintendent. The year has been made more pleasant by the cooperation of the principals, teachers, secretary, and all school personnel, and by the spirit of unity that prevails throughout the school system. I am grateful to the School Board for their kindness and deep interest in the school program, and to the townspeople for their understanding and support of all projects dealing with the improvement of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER F. PERRY,
Superintendent

WESTFORD ACADEMY

PROGRAM OF STUDIES — 1949-1950

Course for Students		Electives for Courses		
		Academic	Commercial	General
Freshmen	English I Civics Subjects as starred	Algebra I* French I General Science	Jr. Bus. Tr.* General Science French I Practical Math.	Practical Math.* Jr. Bus Tr. General Science French I
Sophomores	English II World History	Biology Plane Geometry French I, II	Typewriting I Bookkeeping I Biology French I, II	Biology French I, II Typewriting I
Juniors	English III U.S. History	Algebra II French I, II, III Chemistry	Bookkeeping I, II Stenography I Typewriting II Psy. & Ec. Geog. French I, II	Business Law Psy. & Ec. Geog. French I, II Typewriting II Chemistry
Seniors	English IV Problems of Democracy	Chemistry French II, III Trig. and Solid Economics and Consumer Ed.	Stenography II Bookkeeping II French II Business Law Chemistry	Economics and Consumer Ed. French II Chemistry

*Required in this course.

All pupils may be required to take Music, Health and Physical Education unless otherwise excused.

EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—YEAR 1949

SCHOOLS

Teachers Salaries

Academy	\$ 23,502.00	
Elementary	59,266.75	\$ 82,768.75

Textbooks

Academy	599.65	
Elementary	1,661.25	2,260.90

Supplies

Academy	1,513.34	
Elementary	2,055.60	3,568.94

Other Expenses of Instruction

Academy	182.80	
Elementary	439.87	622.67

Janitors' Salaries

Academy	2,580.00	
Elementary	7,310.22	9,890.22

Fuel

Academy	1,326.28	
Elementary	2,857.10	4,183.38

Miscellaneous Operation

Academy

Water	152.76	
Lights	408.00	
Janitors' Supplies	303.75	
Telephone	53.50	

Elementary

Water	139.14	
Lights	499.14	
Janitors' Supplies	788.42	
Telephone	171.33	2,516.04

Repairs

Academy	981.44	
Elementary	2,013.71	2,995.15

Furniture and Fixtures

Academy	151.40	
Elementary	523.27	674.67

Health

Academy	154.00	
Elementary	162.50	316.50

Transportation

Academy	5,699.00	
Elementary	5,504.00	11,203.00

Tuition

Academy	155.04	
Elementary	90.16	245.20

Other Expense

Academy	166.15	
Elementary	57.35	223.50

General Control

Superintendent's salary	4,083.32	
Superintendent's expenses	122.30	
Clerk's salary	1,400.00	
School Census	85.00	
Office expenses and telephone	249.53	5,940.15

Outlay

Academy	85.80	
Elementary	150.08	235.88
Total		\$127,644.95

Receipts:

Reimbursement for State Wards	\$ 1,407.93	
Reimbursement for Out-of-town tuition	691.28	
Reimbursement for Transportation	6,033.65	
Reimbursement School Aid and State Income	33,007.71	41,140.57

Net Cost to town	\$ 86,504.38
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CORPS OF TEACHERS 1949-1950

School	Teachers	Subject or Grade	Date of Appointment
Westford Academy	John T. Conrad, B.S.E., M.Ed., Principal <i>(St. Anselm's, Keene Teachers College)</i>	Social Studies, Coach	Sept. 1946
	Eliz Dohanian, B.S. <i>(Tufts College)</i>	French, Algebra, Jr. Business Training	Sept. 1947
	Mary A. Finn, B.S.E. <i>(Salem Teachers College)</i>	Commercial	Sept. 1946
	Eileen K. Greenwood, A.B. <i>(Tufts College)</i>	Social Studies	Sept. 1948
	Marea R. Kelly, A.B. <i>(Boston University)</i>	English, French	Sept. 1948
	John A. Rennie, A.B. <i>(Wesleyan University)</i>	Chemistry, Biology, Economics	Sept. 1946
	Kenneth H. Robes, B.S. <i>(Dartmouth College)</i>	Mathematics, Business Law, General Science	Jan. 1947
	Eleanor A. Rodgers, B.S. <i>(Simmons College)</i>	English, Psychology, Economic Geography	Sept. 1948

Cameron School Harold Hershfield, B.S., B.S.E., M.Ed.,
Principal
(Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, Harvard)

Alice M. Murphy	8	Jan. 1948
Alyce C. Gilligan, A.B.	1	Sept. 1949
Marjorie D. Raney, B.S.E.	2	Sept. 1949
Patricia C. Gill, B.S.E.	3	Sept. 1947
Ernest L. Horne, A.B.	4	Sept. 1948
M. Patricia Ahearn, B.S.E.	5	Sept. 1949
Maureen K. Markham, B.S.	6	Sept. 1947
	7	Sept. 1949

Wm. E. Frost School K. Merton Bozoian, B.S.E., M.Ed.,
Principal

Florence B. Morris	8	Jan. 1942
Shirley C. Oliver, B.S.E.	1	Sept. 1948
Ruth P. Tuttle	2	Sept. 1940
Rita H. Miller, B.S.E.	3	Sept. 1903
Gertrude H. Madden	4,5	Sept. 1939
	6,7	Sept. 1947

Sargent School	Gordon C. Getchell, B.S.E., M.Ed. Principal (Salem Teachers College, Boston University)	8	Sept. 1944
	Margery S. Flint	1	Jan. 1948
	Jean E. Bell	2	April 1930
	Martha M. Yoshida, B.S.E.	3	Sept. 1946
	Lottie D. Blodgett	4	Sept. 1916
	Helen A. Gibbons	5	Sept. 1948
	Gertrude D. Houghton, A.B.	6	Sept. 1947
	Lillian G. Wright	7	Sept. 1914
Nabnassett School	Ruth L. Wright, Principal Mary D. Murphy	1,2 3,4	Sept. 1946 Sept. 1948
Supervisor of Music and Art	Barbara L. Bennett, B.S.E.		Sept. 1949
School Nurse	Dorothy Healy, R.N.		Sept. 1941
Superintendent	Peter F. Perry, B.S.E., M.Ed. (Hyannis, Boston University)		Sept. 1948

ENROLLMENT—WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Oct. 1, 1949

Grades	Academy	Cameron	Frost	Nabnasset	Sargent	Total
1		19	23	16	29	87
2		26	27	12	23	88
3		18	26	7	23	74
4		17	18	10	14	59
5		26	11		35	72
6		28	21		37	86
7		30	19		24	73
8		25	13		23	61
9	54					54
10	46					46
11	31					31
12	30					30
PG	2					2
Totals	163	189	158	45	208	763
Elementary	600					
High School	163					

REGISTRATION OF MINORS

October 1, 1949

Minors by Age Groups	5-7	7-16	Totals
Boys	74	320	394
Girls	73	361	434
Totals	147	681	828

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES

CAMERON SCHOOL

William Michael Blott	Maurice Arthur McCarthy
Edward Bohenko	Robert Paul Melancon
Normand Joseph Brule	Eileen Ann O'Neill
Lionel R. Byron	Malcolm Henry Pearson
Joanne Mary Courchaine	George Philip Rogers
John Thomas Haran	Janeth Louise Rogers
John Daniel Hartley	Leopold Lucien Roux
Ann Bernadette Kane	Irene Ann Wasileuskas
Paul Franklin Mack	Dorothea Atlee Yarnall
Marie Aurea Marcotte	

WM. E. FROST SCHOOL

Carl Russell Anderson	Patricia Beverly Lydon
Jacqueline Sue Craig	Harold John Powers
Stella Ann Danello	Robert Henry St. Onge
Freeman Bruce Downing	William Oliver Smith
Normand Raymond Hamelin	Donald James Socorelis
Beverly Ann Kimball	David James Wilson, Jr.

Omitted through error on 1948 graduation list:

Edward Sheridan Hanley

SARGENT SCHOOL

Joseph James Bellemore	Lorraine Theresa Lamie
Barbara J. Blanchard	Mary Madeleine Lamy
Marie Pauline Brunelle	Paul Francis Leduc
Gloria Edith Campbell	Pauline Helen Leduc
Shirley Rose Carbonneau	Cynthia Ruth Macauley
Sylvio Joseph Carbonneau	Edward Nicholas McLenna
Joseph Peter Dunigan	Lionel A. Milot
William Henry Fletcher	David C. Moulton
Ernest Joseph Gagnon	Eva Luetta Nesmith
Mona Ann Harrington	Leo Frederick Patenaude
Claire Ann Holmes	Lois Faye Patenaude
Thomas Kierstead	Frederick A. Raymond
Vivian Theresa Labbe	George William Wyman

WESTFORD ACADEMY GRADUATES

June 15, 1949

Barbara Jane Brown	Barbara Ann McKniff
Joseph Patrick Brown	Rachel Michelson
Anna Louise Butko	Esther Louise Moore
Robert Allen Colarusso	Gloria Theresa Moreno
J. Patricia Connell	Edwin W. Nixon
Edward M. Connolly	Nancy Paduano
Eileen Frances Costello	Raymond J. Panneton
Constance Claire Cote	Barbara June Phillips
M. Anne Davenport	Beverly June Randall
Theresa Marie Desrosiers	George H. Ricard
Gerard H. Driscoll	Frederick F. Selfridge
Barbara Ann Fletcher	Lawrence I. Shea
Joanne B. Hadley	Norman B. St. Onge
Bert A. Harless, Jr.	Edward M. Walsh
Rita Helen Hayes	Donald T. Wark
Broncho Joseph Jaroma	Bruce B. Wetmore
Mary Irene Kavanagh	Regina Mary Anne Wood
Daniel J. Kelley	Barbara Kathleen Young
Jane Harriet Lassonde	Joan Elizabeth Young

P R O G R A M

ENTRANCE MARCH—"Pomp and Circumstance" Elgar
Marea Roberta Kelly, Pianist

INVOCATION

Rev. Fr. Kevin McAndrews

SALUTATORY ADDRESS—Mirage or Reality?
Frederick Selfridge

ESSAY — Education for Unity
Rachel Michelson

SONG — Anvil Chorus from "El Trovatore" Verdi

ESSAY — Our Civic Responsibilities
Bruce Wetmore

ESSAY — Our Domestic Attitude
Mary I Kavanagh

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT
Frederick Selfridge
President of Class of 1949

ACCEPTANCE OF CLASS GIFT
Harold F. Rogers
President of Class of 1950

SONG — "Lonesome Valley" Southern Mountain Song

ESSAY — The Key to Peace
Jane Lassonde

VALEDICTORY — "Unity - Our Future"
Edwin Nixon

REMARKS

Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

Rev. Ashley D. Leavitt
Trustee of Westford Academy
John T. Conrad
Principal of Westford Academy

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

Frederick W. Gatenby
Chairman of School Board

CLASS SONG

Barabara J. Brown, Gloria T. Moreno

BENEDICTION

Rev. Fr. Kevin McAndrews

EXIT MARCH — "Pomp and Circumstance"

Elgar

Marea Roberta Kelly, Pianist

CLASS MOTTO
"Unity - Our Future"

CLASS COLORS
Maroon and Gray

CLASS MARSHALL
Joseph Patrick Brown

CLASS FLOWER
White Rose

WINNERS OF PRIZES

(Given by Trustees of Westford Academy)

For excellence in English — Frederick F. Selfridge

For excellence in Mathematics and Science — Edwin W. Nixon

For excellence in Secretarial Science — Mary I. Kavanagh

THE MOST WORTHY REPRESENTATIVES OF WESTFORD ACADEMY

Class of 1949 — Donald T. Wark

Class of 1950 — John W. Spinner, Jr.

Class of 1951 — Arthur W. Gatenby

Class of 1952 — Margaret M. Kavanagh

OTHER AWARDS

Bausch and Lomb Science Award — Edwin W. Nixon

Balfour Award — Mary I. Kavanagh

Reader's Digest Award — Edwin W. Nixon

D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award — Gloria T. Moreno

Westford-Teachers' Association Scholarship

Edwin W. Nixon

FOLLOW-UP OF CLASS OF 1949

Name	Type of Work	Location
Brown, Barbara	Office Work	Concord Insurance Company
Brown, Joseph	United States Navy	
Butko, Anna	Post Graduate	Westford Academy
Colarrusso, Robert	Sales Clerk	Loudon, New Hampshire
Connell, Josephine	Student	Katherine Gibbs School
Connolly, Edward	Factory Worker	Forge Village, Massachusetts
Costello, Eileen	At Home	
Cote, Constance	At Home	
Davenport, Anne	At Home	
Desrosiers, Theresa	Married (Mrs. John Dundas)	
Driscoll, Gerard	Student	Huntington School
Fletcher, Barbara	Laboratory Technician	St. John's Hospital
Hadley, Joanne	Post-graduate	Westford Academy
Harless, Bert	Student	New Hampton School
Hayes, Rita	Sales Clerk	Cherry and Webb
Jaroma, Broncha	Farin Work	Westford
Kavanagh, Mary	Post-graduate	Westford Academy
Kelly, Daniel	Student	Mass. Trade Shops School
Lassonde, Jane	Missionary Work	Lowell

McKniff, Barbara	Laboratory Technician	Student	St. John's Hospital
Michelson, Rachel	Student	Office Work	University of Massachusetts
Moreno, Gloria	At Home	At Home	Lowell
Moore, Esther	Student	Married (Mrs. Norman Cote)	Northeastern University
Nixon, Edwin	Hotel Work	Office Work	Biltmore Hotel, Florida
Paduano, Nancy	At Home	Contracting Work	Concord Insurance Company
Panneton, Raymond	Student	Student	Westford
Phillips, Barbara	Student	Repair Man	University of Massachusetts
Randall, Beverly	Student	Student	Franklin Institute
Ricard, George	Student	Student	Lowell Office Supply
Selfridge, Frederick	Student	Student	Lowell Textile Institute
Shea, Lawrence	Student	Student	Northeastern University
St. Onge, Norman	Student	Student	Liberty Mutual Insurance Co.
Wark, Donald	Student	Student	Bridgewater Teachers College
Wetmore, Bruce	Student	Student	Massachusetts Shops School
Wood Regina	Student	Student	
Young, Barbara	Student	Student	
Young, Joan	Student	Student	
Walsh, Edward	Student	Student	

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

The following is my report as School Physician for the year ending December 31, 1949.

The usual physical examinations were made on all the children attending the schools of Westford. A separate physical examination was made to recheck all the cases in which major defects were found. This was done in order that the parents could be notified as to what procedure would be needed for them to see that the children would get the needed medical or surgical care when major defects were found.

A special examination was made on the students at the Academy who were to play football and basketball, and on the elementary school boys who were interested in football, in order that they could carry Liability Insurance and to find out if they were in the right physical condition to enter these sports.

A large number of pupils were treated at the Abbot Worsted Company Hospital for minor surgical and medical conditions. These came to me as emergency cases referred by the Principals of the various schools.

Cooperation by the Board of Health Nurse, teachers, and the parents of the children was splendid as it has been in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT W. COWLES, M. D.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

December 31, 1949

Mr. Peter F. Perry

Superintendent of Schools

Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the school nurse from January 1, to December 31, 1949:

Schools visited	297
First aid and dressings	37
Children examined for minor ailments	176
Children recommended for exclusion because of contagious disease, skin infection or pediculosis	4
Assisted at clinic for mentally retarded children. Number of children seen	1
Vaccinations checked	
Tested vision of all school children with Massachusetts Vision Equipment. Number of children referred to physician	62
Tested hearing of all school children with a pure tone audiometer. Number of children referred to physician	33
Assisted school physician with physical examination of all school children.	

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. HEALY, R. N.

REPORT OF PENMANSHIP SUPERVISOR

January 30, 1950

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Perry:

I am pleased to submit the following report on the operation of the handwriting program in your schools for the school year of 1948-49.

In the initial handwriting tests administered to your pupils in September 1949, 20% received a grade of "A" (Excellent); 8% received a grade of "B" (Good); and 72% were scored less than "B". In the tests administered in June 1949, 77.2% received a grade of "A"; 8.9% received a grade of "B"; and 13.9% scored less than "B". Handwriting certificates were awarded to 92% of your graduates.

During the school year we graded approximately 5200 formal and 15,600 informal handwriting samples for your pupils. A formal test was administered monthly and a report was furnished each teacher giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in her room.

We furnished the following instructional materials: monthly teachers' outlines, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, handedness tests, individual handwriting certificates for pupils who qualified, monthly and term envelopes, seals, etc.

My supervisors join with me in expressing our appreciation for the splendid cooperation we have received from you and your teachers at all times. We are very pleased with the results obtained in your schools.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. RINEHART,

Director

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC AND ART

January, 1950.

Mr. Peter Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I should like to submit to you my first annual report of the Music and Art programs in the schools of Westford, Massachusetts.

Since the two courses are closely related as an integral part of any adequate school curriculum the basic aim of both is the same. That aim is to foster an enjoyment and appreciation for music and art so that they become necessary and vital to each pupil's everyday experience.

The music program, through the elementary grades, is a combination of theory, rhythmic expression, and tonal development which expands or intensifies according to class ability. There is an excellent series of music books which have previously been distributed to all the schools and which greatly assist the program.

New books, introduced in the Junior High area, correlate the singing with some of the past historic events of our country while stimulating interest in a variety of unison and part songs.

On the Senior High level emphasis is placed on special projects utilizing chorus work, such as the various shows and programs sponsored by the Academy. The boys' and girls' Glee Clubs serve a duo purpose; more intensified group singing and enjoyable entertainment.

The special performances of each school provide an ultimate motivating achievement for the year's study.

In the Art field less is possible due to the time element, but we have attempted to balance the freedom of expression and idea evident in each child with the necessary skills to enable completion of that idea. Seasonal projects, decorative and practical needs resultant from other curriculum units, have been the basis for art activity.

May I sincerely say that without the support and continued perseverance which your teachers have shown a successful music and art program could not operate.

I offer my sincere appreciation to the administration, the parents, the teachers, and the students for the total cooperation which I have found throughout the system.

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA LOUISE BENNETT
Supervisor of Music and Art

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1949-1950

Teachers' Meeting	September 6
Fall Term	September 7—December 23, 73 days
Winter Term	January 3—February 17, 34 days
Spring Term	February 27—April 14, 34 days
Summer Term	April 24—June 23, 44 days

Total: 185 days

Days omitted:

Columbus Day	October 12
Teachers' Convention	October 21
Armistice Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Recess	November 24, 25
Good Friday	April 7
Memorial Day	May 30

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

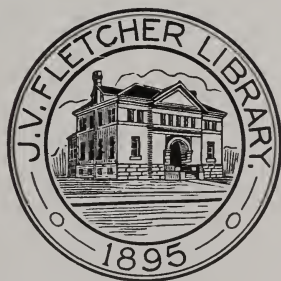
The No-School Signal will be two blows of the fire alarm whistle repeated three times.

The above signal will be given at 7:10 A. M. unless icing conditions begin about that time, in which case the No-School Signal may be blown as late as 7:45 A. M.

The No-School announcement will be broadcast over Stations WBZ, WLLH, and WLAW whenever possible.

It is the policy of the School Department to keep schools in session on all days during which it is safe for buses to be operated. The widely varying conditions in the several parts of Westford make it difficult to reach decisions equally fair to all. ON DAYS WHEN THE WEATHER CONDITION IS QUESTIONABLE PARENTS ARE URGED TO EXERCISE THEIR OWN JUDGMENT AS TO THE WISDOM OF SENDING THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL.

Annual Report
OF THE
J. V. Fletcher Library
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,
1949

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY

January 1, 1950

The trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library respectfully submit their annual report for 1949 including the report of the librarian and the list of books added in 1949.

From the small beginning of library facilities when the Social Library was given to the town ninety years ago, its influence and usefulness have broadened and deepened until today the J. V. Fletcher Library has become an important factor in the cultural life of Westford. Much of the credit for this comes from the unfailing helpfulness of the librarian, her assistants and the custodian.

Our program of repairs to the building has progressed in that the stackroom has been redecorated and all the lower floors have been refinished once more. Continued repairs will include the redecorating of the upper floor and the addition of new shelving in the children's room.

To carry on these repairs and the necessary work of the library and its branches the trustees ask for the following appropriation, viz:

1. The sum of thirty-four hundred (\$3,400.00) dollars.
2. The receipts from the dog licenses in 1949.

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH, Chairman

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR

ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY FOR 1949

Salaries and wages:

Librarian	\$ 1,050.00	
Janitor	520.00	
Assistants	363.40	
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		\$1,933.40

Books and periodicals

Books	1,041.01	
Periodicals	239.10	
Binding	21.68	
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		1,301.79
Fuel		473.69
Electricity		84.36

Buildings:

Water	16.00	
Janitor's supplies	3.19	
Painting stackroom	416.25	
Repairs	41.50	
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		476.94

Other expenses:

Telephone	\$ 35.11	
Transportation of books	30.00	
Stationery and postage	21.62	
Miscellaneous	52.61	
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		\$ 139.34
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		\$ 4,409.52

INCOME

Town appropriation	\$ 3,600.00	
Receipts from dog licenses	\$ 722.27	
Interest from funds	87.25	
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		\$ 4,409.52
Receipts from fines		68.91

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

January 1, 1950

To the Trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library:

The librarian herewith submits her thirty-second annual report in the ninety-first year of a public library in the town.

The circulation at the main library was a little larger than that of last year with a big increase in that of the children's section. The most popular group of adult non-fiction was the Useful Arts (cook-books, agriculture, medicine, etc.), next the Fine Arts (music, painting, games, etc.), third Biography.

In Nabnasset books may still be borrowed from Mrs. MacLeod at the Post Office. Since Mrs. Wood opened her Merry Wood Gift Shop at Forge Village she has moved the library books which she had in Graniteville to the shop so that they are now available to all people of either community. That leaves Graniteville without a deposit station except for the attendants at the Methodist Church where Mrs. Nabb, the minister's wife, has started a lending library using some books from the library.

In September the P. T. A. of Nabnasset invited the librarian to exhibit and give a talk on books suitable for primary children. In December the librarian visited the P. T. A. at the Frost school with books as suggestions for Christmas presents. When the third grade at Graniteville was studying about Indians the librarian made the subject more realistic by showing her dolls in Indian costume.

In December while the stackroom was being painted the library continued in operation with minor difficulties.

Children's books were again on display from Book Week until Christmas with the privilege of purchasing for Christmas presents.

Various exhibits have been arranged in the Frost museum case-dolls, Revolutionary material for April 19th, animal pictures by John James Audubon, pressed sea moss in delicate designs, and in December old-fashioned Christmas cards and ornaments and nativity figures. Miss Winnek furnished the evergreens which were used with the carolers and pictures of Madonnas at the counter.

For three months the library had an exhibition of seven portrait and landscape paintings by William Millett of Boston and Westford which were of much interest.

On February second the John Robinson chapter of the D. A. R. held their meeting at the library for the program "American dolls and their cousins" given by the librarian. During the winter and spring the library hall was used by one of the teachers tutoring a class in algebra. A committee of the trustees of Westford Academy also met at the library. We hope that more committees and groups will make use of the library for their meetings.

The librarian attended the meetings of the Merrimack Valley group at Ipswich in June and at Chelmsford in October, with one day at the regional meeting of the American Library Association in Swampscott in October.

The librarian wishes to express her appreciation to the trustees for their assistance in carrying out the plans to make the work of the library a success.

Few changes have been made in the list of magazines. All except current numbers may be borrowed for one week and the list for the coming year is as follows:

WEEKLIES

Geographic News Bulletin	News Week
Illustrated London News	Publishers' Weekly
Life	Saturday Evening Post
New York Times Book Review	Time

MONTHLIES

A. L. A. Booklist	Good Housekeeping
American	Grade Teacher
American Girl	Harper's Monthly
American Home	Hobbies
American Photography	Holiday
Antiques	House Beautiful
Atlantic Monthly	Hygeia
Better Homes and Gardens	Instructor
Book Review Digest	Jack and Jill
Boys' Life	Journal of Living
Coronet	Junior Natural History
Cosmopolitan	Ladies' Home Journal
Country Gentleman	National Geographic
Etude	Natural History
Flying and Popular Aviation	Nature
Fortune	Open Road

Outdoor Life
 Parents' Magazine
 Popular Mechanics
 Popular Science Monthly
 Practical Home Economics
 Reader's Guide to Periodical
 Literature
 Reader's Digest

School Arts
 Sport
 Travel
 Uncle Ray's Magazine
 United Nations World
 Wilson Bulletin
 Woman's Home Companion
 Yankee

BI-MONTHLY

Delta-gram
 Horn Book

Popular Homecraft

SEMI-MONTHLY

Library Journal

QUARTERLIES

Old Time New England

Subscription Books Bulletin

PERIODICALS GIVEN, 1949

Army Life
 Automobile Facts

Bell Telephone Quarterly
 Book-of-the-Month Club News
 Books, N.Y. Herald Tribune
 Business Week
 Christian Register

Christian Science Monitor
 Collier's

DuPont Magazine
 Farm Journal
 Federation Topics
 Food Marketing
 Harvester World

Journal of Calendar Reform
 McCall's
 Mass. Educational News
 Middlesex County Bulletin

National Grange Monthly

From War Department
 From Automobile Manufacturers
 Association
 From American Tel. & Tel. Co.
 From Book of the Month Club
 From The Old Corner Book Store
 From Mrs. Henry W. Hildreth
 From Unitarian Alliance of West-
 ford
 From Miss Mary E. Burbeck
 From Mrs. Wm. K. Budge
 From DuPont de Nemours Co.
 From Martha Symmes estate
 From The Tadnuck Club
 From First National Stores
 From International Harvester
 Organization
 From World Calendar Association
 From Mrs. Morris A. Hall
 From Mass Dept. of Education
 From Middlesex County Extension
 Service
 From Westford Grange

Nation's Business	From Moses L. Fecteau
New England News Letter	From New England Council
New Hampshire Troubadour	From State of New Hampshire
Our Dumb Animals	From the Publishers
Pemex Travel Club Bulletin	From Petroles Mexicanos
Steel Facts	From American Iron & Steel Institute
Steelways	From Am. Iron & Steel Institute
Tax Talk	From Mass. Federation of Tax- payers' Association
This Week	From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey
United States News	From Mrs. Henry W. Hildreth
Woman's Day	From Miss Mabel M. Prescott

NAMES OF DONORS, 1949

Abbot, Edward M.—hand forged nail
 Abbot, Mrs. Edward M.—20 volumes
 Burbeck, Miss Mary and Grace—1 volume and Westford photograph
 Fisher, John—15 volumes
 Goucher, Miss Ann—2 volumes
 Hildreth, Mrs. Henry W.—2 volumes
 Hope, Arthur L.—5 volumes
 Ladas, Mrs. Patricia—3 volumes, Confederate bill
 Lawrence, estate of Miss Grace—pressed sea moss
 Morris County, N. J.—one volume
 Perrins, W. Arthur—2 volumes
 Perrins, Mrs. W. Arthur—Indian relics
 Polley, Amos—Indian arrowheads, 3 hand made axes
 Southern Baptist business man—one volume
 Symmes, estate of Miss Martha—8 volumes
 U. S. Steel Corporation—one volume
 Westford Grange—one volume
 Winnek, Miss Marian F.—3 volumes
 Wright, Wm. E.—3 volumes

CIRCULATION

Total circulation of bound volumes	12,197
Volumes lent at Library	10,865
Volumes lent at Graniteville	577
Volumes lent at Forge Village	392
Volumes lent at Nabnasset	363
Circulation in children's department	5,397
Volumes lent thru schools	1,150

Periodicals lent	2,837
Pamphlets and clippings lent	260
Pictures loaned	1,182
Jig-saw puzzles loaned	56
Number of days open	153
Largest monthly circulation of bound volumes, March	1,024
Smallest monthly circulation, February	716
Largest daily circulation, October 18	132
Smallest daily circulation, December 24	23

ACCESSIONS

Volumes added by purchase	469
Volumes added by gift	52
Returned—previously reported missing	2
Total number added	523
Number of volumes discarded	60
Number of volumes in Library	20,065

AMOUNT OF FUNDS

Legacy of Stephen S. Stone	\$1,000.00
Legacy of Augustus K. Fletcher	1,000.00
Legacy of Mary M. Henarie, Laws Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of John M. Osgood	1,000.00
Legacy of Jennie Reed Wilkins	150.00
Legacy of Adeline T. Burbeck	500.00
Legacy of Albert E. Prescott	7,056.08
Legacy of William J. Burbeck	1,000.00
Legacy of Frederick A. Burbeck	1,000.00

REGULATIONS

The J. V. Fletcher Library is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays (legal holidays excepted) from 1:30 till 5, and from 6:30 till 9:00 P.M.

The Nabnasset deposit station at the Post Office in charge of Mrs. Edna G. MacLeod is open daily.

The Forge Village deposit station at the Merry Wood Gift Shop in charge of Mrs. Francis C. Wood is open daily.

New books of fiction can be kept only one week; but there may be one renewal. All other books may be kept four weeks. Renewals may be made by telephone or by postal.

No book shall be transferred, or acknowledged as returned, unless delivered to the librarian.

For each day that a book is kept beyond the prescribed time a fine of one cent is charged.

Borrowers finding books mutilated or defaced should report the fact to the librarian.

LIST OF BOOKS ADDED, 1949

CLASSIFIED BOOKS

Albert, Lillian S. and Kent, Kathryn—Complete button book	391.4	A
Allen, Frederick L.—The great Pierpont Morgan		B M849
Allen, Ida B.—Modern cook book	641.5	A1
Anthony, Katharine S.—Dolly Madison, her life and times		B M181.2
Arthur, Julietta A.—How to make a home business pay	371.425	A
Averill, Gerald—Ridge runner, story of a Maine woodsman	917.41	A
Bard, Mary—The doctor wears three faces		B B245
Barnett, Lincoln K.—The universe and Dr. Einstein	530.1	B
Batchelder, Martha R.—Art of hooked-rug making	746.7	B
Bean, George H.—Yankee auctioneer	658.844	B
Beard, James A.—Fireside cook book	641.5	B3
Beebe, C. William—High jungle	918.7	B1
Bertram, Kate and Richard H.—Caribbean cruise	917.29	B
Beston, Henry—Northern farm, a chronicle of Maine	917.41	B2
Blanchard, Roberta R.—How to paint trays	747.94	B
Bridges, William—Wild animals of the world	599	B
Burke, Billie—With a feather on my nose		B B960
Burton, Jean—Lydia Pinkham is her name		B P6553
Carnegie, Dale—How to stop worrying and start living	131.337	C1
—Public speaking and influencing men in business	808.5	C3
Carr, John D.—Life of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle		B D754
Chamberlain Samuel—Six New England villages	917.4	C1
Chandos, Dane—House in the sun	917.2	C2
Christenson, Erwin O.—Popular art in the United States	709.73	C1
Clark, Harold F.—Economics	330	C2
Cobb, Hubbard, ed.—The complete home handyman's guide	680	C
Cook, Beatrice—Till fish us do part	818	C3
Costain, Thomas B.—The conquerors	942.02	C
Cowles, Virginia S.—No cause for alarm	942.084	C
Crockett, Lucy H.—Popcorn on the Ginza	915.2	C2
Daly, Sheila J.—Personality plus	170	D1
Dalzell and Townsend—Masonry simplified, 2 vol.	693	D

Dante Alighieri—Purgatory and Paradise	851 D2
Dows, Olin—Franklin Roosevelt at Hyde Park	B R780.1
Drake, Galen—This is Galen Drake	818 D7
Drepperd, Carl W.—A B C's of old glass	748 D
—Pioneer America, its first three centuries	917.3 D1
Drooz, Irma G.—Doctor of medicine	B D787
Dulles, Foster R.—Labor in America	331 D
Ellsberg, Edward—No banners, no bugles	940.542 E
Fisher, Douglas A.—Steel making in America	669.1 F
Gannett, Lewis S.—Cream Hill	630.1 G10
Gardner, Charles M.—The grange—friend of the farmer	630.62 G
Gates and others—Educational psychology	370.15 G
Gatti, Attilio—Here is the veld	916.8 G
Gibbings, Robert—Over the reefs and far away	919.6 G
Gilbreth, Frank and Ernestine—Cheaper by the dozen	B G466
Giles, Ray—How to retire — and enjoy it	179 G
Gillies, Mary D.—How to keep house	640 G1
Gordon, Lesley—A pageant of dolls	649.55 G
Gould, John—And one to grow on	917.41 G3
Gregory, A.—Art of woodworking and furniture making	684 G
Griscom, Ludlow—The birds of Concord	598.2 G1
Gunther, John—Behind the curtain	940.55G
Harrison, Charles Y.—Thank God for my heart attack	616.12 H1
Headstrom, Richard—Birds' nests	598.2 H1
Helmericks, Constance and Harmon—Our summer with the Eskimos	917.98 H4
Hennessey, Wm. J., ed.—America's best small houses	728 H
Hertz, Henrik—King Rene's daughter	839.81 H
Heywood, Margaret W.—International cook book	641.5 H4
Hoagland, Clayton—Pleasures of sketching outdoors	741.7 H
Hokinson, Helen E.—When you were built	817 H5
Hughes, Edwin H.—I was made a minister	BH893
Huntington, James L.—Forty Acres; story of Bishop Huntington house	728 H1
Ickis, Marguerite—Handicrafts and hobbies for pleasure and profit	745 I
Idell, Albert E.—Doorway in Antigua	917.281 J
Jarecka, Louise L.—Made in Poland; living traditions of the land	914.38 J
Jenkins, Elizabeth—Jane Austen	B A933.2
Jones, Ossie G.—Parliamentary procedure at a glance	328.1 J
Josephson, Hannah—The golden threads; New England's mill girls and magnates	331.767 J
Karasz, Mariska—Adventures in stitches, a new art of embroidery	746 K

Karig, Walter and others—The pig in the parlor	636 K
Keller, James G.—You can change the world	248 K1
Ketcham, Howard—How to use color and decorating designs in the home	747 K
Kimbrough, Emily—It gives me great pleasure	818 K1
Kohn, Louis W.—Your digestive system	616.3 K
Kouwenhoven, John A.—Made in America	709.73 K
Lariar, Lawrence, ed.—Best cartoons of the year, 1949	741.5 L1
Larralde, Elsa—My house is yours	917.2 L2
Lawrence, Robert, adapted by—Siegfried (Wagner's Ring of the Nibelung)	782 L3
Linton, Ralph and Adelin—We gather together; story of Thanksgiving	394.268 TL
Lorini and Williams—How to restore antique furniture	749 L1
Lowndes, Marion—A manual for baby sitters	649.1 L
MacCracken, Henry N.—Family on Gramercy Park	B M132
McCullough and Moffit—Illustrated handbook of simple nursing	649.8 M
Mackenzie, Catherine—Parent and child	136.7 M
MacMillan, Miriam L.—Green seas and white ice	919.8 M2
Mann, William M.—Ant hill odyssey	B M282
Margé—Little Lulu on parade	817 M4
—Fun with Little Lulu	817 M5
Martin, Monica—Out in the mid-day sun	915.4 M4
Merton, Thomas—Seven Storey Mountain	B M575
Mitchell, Edwin V.—Yankee folk	917.4 M3
Moore, Charles B.—Painting and paper hanging for the home owner	698.1 M
Neagoe, Peter—A time to keep	B N338
Nelson, Joseph—Backwoods teacher	917.787 N
Nutting, Wallace—Furniture treasury, vol. 3	749 N1
Ormsbee, Thomas H.—Care and repair of antiques	749 O3
Oursler, Fulton—Greatest story ever told	232.9 O
Oursler, Fulton and Will—Father Flanagan of Boys Town	B F583
Overstreet, Harry A.—The mature mind	136.52 O
Peale, Norman V.—A guide to confident living	258 P
Peare, Catherine O.—Albert Einstein	B E354.1
Pearson, Haydn S.—Countryman's year	630.1 P1
Peattie, Donald C.—American heartwood	973 P2
Peterson, Roger T.—How to know the birds	598.2 P
Pettit, Theodore S.—Birds in your backyard	598.2 P3
Pitkin, Walter B.—Road to a richer life	170 P9
Pleasants, Henry—A doctor in the house	B P724
Popular Mechanics Press—Christmas handbook	680 P6
Prescott, Marjorie W.—New England son (Albert H. Wiggin)	B W654

Ray, Marie B.—How to conquer your handicaps	371.91 R
Remmers and Gage—Educational measurements and evaluation	371.26 R
Rex, Stella H.—Practical hooked rugs	746.7 R
Roberts, Kenneth L.—I wanted to write	B R645
Rogers, Agnes—Women are here to stay	396 R1
Rogers, Will—Autobiography	B R731.1
Roosevelt, Eleanor—This I remember	B R7801.1
Rosenkampff and Wallace—Bookkeeping and accounting	657 R1
Russell, Harold—Victory in my hands	B R9639
St. John, Robert—Shalom means peace	956.9 S
Salyer, Sandford—Marmee; mother of Little Women	B A3541
Sheean, Vincent—Lead, kindly light	B G196
Sherwood, Robert E.—Roosevelt and Hopkins	973.917 S
Siemel, Sasha—Jungle wife	918.1 S1
Smith, Ken—Baseball's hall of fame	796.357 S1
Smith, Nicol—Golden doorway to Tibet	915.46 S
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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD

Town Clerk

Charles L. Hildreth Term expires March, 1951

Selectmen

Thomas W. Gower Term expires March, 1951

Edward F. Harrington, Secretary Term expires March, 1952

Cyril A. Blaney, Chairman Term expires March, 1953

Assessors

Carroll J. Rollins, Chairman Term expires March, 1951

John J. O'Connell Term expires March, 1952

Norman K. Nesmith Term expires March, 1953

Board of Public Welfare

Samuel A. Richards, Chairman Term expires March, 1951

Reginald Blowey, Secretary Term expires March, 1952

William L. Wall Term expires March, 1953

Treasurer

Charlotte P. Greig Term expires March, 1953

Collector of Taxes

David I. Olsson Term expires March, 1953

Moderator

Ben W. Drew Term expires March, 1951

Constable

John F. Sullivan Term expires March, 1953

School Committee

H. Arnold Wilder Term expires March, 1951

Clifford J. Courchaine Term expires March, 1951

Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman Term expires March, 1952

Edgar S. Peterson Term expires March, 1952

F. Stanley Smith, Secretary Term expires March, 1953

Robert J. Heman Term expires March, 1953

Trustees of J. V. Fletcher Library

William R. Taylor Term expires March, 1951

William C. Roudenbush, Chairman Term expires March, 1952

Alice M. Howard, Secretary Term expires March, 1953

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Board of Cemetery Commissioners

Fred R. Blodgett, Secretary, resigned

Term would have expired March, 1951

Albert A. Hildreth, appointed to fill vacancy

Axel G. Lundberg Term expires March, 1952

Sebastien B. Watson, Chairman Term expires March, 1953

Board of Health

Dwight W. Cowles, M.D., Secretary Term expires March, 1951

Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Chairman Term expires March, 1952

Ralph E. Cole, M.D. Term expires March, 1953

Agents of Board of Health

Albert A. Hildreth, Agent

Dorothy A. Healy, R.N., Agent, Public Health Nurse

Charles L. Hildreth, Agent to issue Burial Permits

Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Inspector of Dairies

Charles A. Blodgett, Inspector of Slaughtering and Animals

Sidney Cobb, M.D., Agent

Henry T. Smith, Milk and Sanitary Inspector

Tree Warden

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick Term expires March, 1951

Superintendent of Moth Department

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick, appointed by Selectmen

**Director of Demonstration Work in Agriculture
and Home Economics**

William R. Taylor

Finance Committee

Albert G. Forty, Secretary Term expires March, 1951

Allister F. MacDougall Term expires March, 1951

W. Otis Day Term expires March, 1952

William E. Wright, resigned..... Term would have expired March, 1952

Victor B. Daly, appointed to fill vacancy

E. Kent Allen, Chairman Term expires March, 1953

Herford N. Elliott Term expires March, 1953

Committee in Charge of Whitney Playground

John Fisher

Morris A. Hall

Charles L. Hildreth

Special Town Forest Committee

Fred R. Blodgett	Term expires March, 1951
William E. Wright	Term expires March, 1952
Edwin H. Gould	Term expires March, 1953

Registrars of Voters

James J. McKniff	Term expires March, 1951
Norman E. Day	Term expires March, 1952
Paul L. Dunigan	Term expires March, 1953

Charles L. Hildreth, Clerk Ex-Officio

Precinct Officers

Precinct 1.—Warden, Albert A. Hildreth (R); Deputy Warden, Fisher Buckshorn (R); Clerk, Edward T. Sullivan (D); Deputy Clerk, Robert J. Spinner (D); Inspector, T. Arthur E. Wilson (R); Morris A. Hall (R); Gertrude A. McGrath (D); James Basinas (D); Deputy Inspectors, H. Arnold Wilder (R); Howard H. Ferguson (R); Albert E. Vickers (D); Louis F. Oliver (D).

Precinct 2.—Warden, John E. Connolly (D); Deputy Warden, John W. Spinner (D); Clerk, Alfred T. W. Prinn (R); Deputy Clerk, William L. Wall (R); Inspectors, Charles A. Blodgett (R); Roy E. Blanchard (R); Roland J. Cote (D); Raymond A. Wall (D); Deputy Inspectors, Walter N. Fletcher (R); Howard V. Anderson (R); Clifford G. Carpentier (D); James H. Payne (D).

Precinct 3.—Warden, Nicholas V. Basinas (D); Deputy Warden, Edward L. Dailey (D); Clerk, Harlan E. Knowlton (R); Deputy Clerk, William W. Gilson (R); Inspectors, Swan G. Swanson (R); Julia E. Knowlton (R); Eileen R. McGlinchey (D); Ruth A. Sundberg (D); Deputy Inspectors, Umberto P. Colarusso (R); Alice E. Whitcomb (R); Robert N. Cassidy (D); Eva A. DeForge (D).

Precinct 4.—Warden, Frank P. Shugrue (D); Deputy Warden, Arthur Cooney (D); Clerk, Robert J. Orr (R); Deputy Clerk, Leslie N. Athorn (R); Inspectors, James Kelly, Jr. (D); Leo P. Connolly (D); Reginald Blowey (R); Philip Lord (R); Deputy Inspectors, Richard Lyons (D); Albert F. Hobson (D); Arthur T. Greenslade (R); Albert E. Mountain (R).

Note—(R) Republican; (D) Democrat.

Chief of Police

John F. Sullivan

Regular Police Officer

John L. Connell

Dog Officers

John F. Sullivan

John L. Connell

Special Police Officers

Arthur A. Abbood
Allan Adams
Gregory G. Beskalo, Jr.
Harold Blease
Charles A. Blodgett
Reginald Blowey
Elmer P. Brown
Lawrence J. Charlton
Eliot P. Clark
Leo J. Connell
John E. Connolly
Thomas Curley
Arthur F. Daly
Arthur J. Deforge
Theodore J. Doucette
Charles Flanagan
John F. Gagnon
John H. Gantzel
Wilfred Gelinas
Winslow P. George
George S. Gervais
Donald H. Hall
Richard W. Hall
J. Austin Healy
William B. Horton
Ralph J. Hulslander
Arthur Lamy

Robert Locke
Frederick C. Loeffler
Charles A. Lorman
Thomas McGrath
Everett E. Miller
Carl R. Nylund
John J. O'Connell
Louis F. Oliver
Robert J. Orr
Edmund F. Pendlebury
W. Arthur Perrins
E. William Randall
Hubert V. Raymond
George Reeves
Uldege Ricard
Paul Ricciardi
William Robinson
Edmund D. Rogers
Maurice B. Rooks
Winthrop W. Sargent
Frederick Schill
Robert J. Spinner
Edward J. St. Onge
Edward T. Sullivan
William L. Wall
Harold E. Wright

Police Woman

Dorothy A. Healy, R.N.

Superintendent of Streets

J. Austin Healy

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Albert A. Hildreth

Inspector of Animals

Charles A. Blodgett

Inspector of Buildings

Edmund D. Rogers

Forest Warden

Leo R. Larkin

Engineers of the Fire Department

Richard W. Hall, Clerk

Edmund D. Rogers, Chief

Harold E. Wright, Assistant Chief

Town Accountant and Clerk of Board of Selectmen

Dana Fletcher

Soldiers' Relief Agent

Dana Fletcher

Director of Veterans' Services

Arthur A. Abbood

Agent for Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors

Arthur T. Greenslade

Superintendent of Westford Infirmary

Maurice B. Rooks

Keeper of the Lockup

Maurice B. Rooks

Janitor of Town House

Edward T. Sullivan

Janitor of Library Building

James E. McAviney

Caretaker of Common

George E. St. Onge

Town Counsel

Edward L. Monahan

Fence Viewers

Charles A. Blodgett

Edwin H. Gould

Marden H. Seavey

Field Drivers

John E. Dubey

Henry J. Menard

George R. Tebbetts

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Charles A. Blodgett

Edwin H. Gould

Fred W. Burnham

J. Austin Healy

Charles Freeman

Edmund L. Provost

Weighers of General Commodities

John J. Buchanan

James J. Healy

Arthur L. Healy

John Shea, Jr.

J. Austin Healy

Harold W. Stewart

J. Austin Healy, Jr.

Weighers of Textile Commodities

Harold R. Anderson	Clifford Jones
Willard W. Beebe	Mary P. Lord
Anthony R. Bohenko	Helena A. McKniff
Albert J. Burne	Edward F. McLenna
Edwin L. Burne	Irene J. Menard
J. Clarence Burne	Rameo Milot
Braley A. Cameron	Ellen A. Oldham
Annie H. Daly	Robert J. Orr, Jr.
Victor B. Daly	Grace E. Pulsifer
Kenneth E. De La Haye	William E. Robinson
William G. Donnolly	Winthrop W. Sargent
Austin D. Fletcher	George Sedach
Frank Gagnon	John W. Shackleton
Eleanor M. Haley	Irene Szylvian
George M. Haley	Lillian Walsh
Helen R. Hartley	

Weighers of Granite

Lincoln Dexter	Ralph Haberman, Jr.
Frank Greenwood	Joseph Killoy
Ralph C. Harmon	Perley F. Knight

School Planning Committee

Appointed by Moderator under Article 38 of Annual Town Meeting held March 11, 1950, to serve for one year.

Walter N. Fletcher	Felix R. Perrault
Mary R. Lambert	Alfred T. Wark
William G. Plummer, Chairman	

Regional School District Planning Board

Appointed by the Moderator under Article 7 of the Special Town Meeting held Sept. 22, 1950.

Frederick W. Gatenby	Mary R. Lambert
June L. Armstrong, Chairman	

Tax Title Property Committee

Appointed by Moderator for one year.

Herford N. Elliott	Edward F. Harrington	Albert A. Newick
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Housing Authority Elected

Arthur A. Abbood	Term Expires March 1951
*John D. Chandler	Term Expires March 1952
Felix R. Perrault	Term Expires March 1953
William L. Wall	Term Expires March 1954
Albert J. Burne	Term Expires March 1955

*Appointed by State Board.

NOTE—The law requires that certain officers, including Measurers and Weighers, in order to qualify as such officers, be sworn in and a record of their oath be filed with the Town Clerk.

Assistant Town Clerk

Alice A. Hildreth

BIRTHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford, 1950

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Dec. 14—	Abrahamson, Gayle Marie	Robert M. and Joyce I. (Bellwood)
Oct. 12—	Abreu, Robert Anthony	Robert A. and Vera A. (Burton)
Nov. 15—	Antonelli, Arthur Benedict, Jr.	Arthur B. and Virginia (Canessa)
Apr. 5—	Antonelli, Nancy Anne	Peter and Eileen R. (Finn)
Feb. 19—	Armstrong, Melissa Jane	Robert L. and June R. M. (LeMotte)
Sept. 7—	Beebe, Karen	Edward E. and Virginia (Schill)
Nov. 26—	Belida, Janis Mae	Alexander and Bernice (Storer)
Sept. 25—	Bell, Diane Elizabeth	Leslie G. and Charlotte B. (White)
June 27—	Bettencourt, Jane Leslie	Ralph A. and Vera E. (Swanson)
Oct. 1—	Camire, Susanne Mary	Lionel R. and Cecile A. (Larivee)
June 14—	Cassidy, John Joseph	Robert V. and Rita (LaBelle)
Dec. 10—	Chorney, Steven Robert	Joseph T. and Evelyn L. (Holmes)
Aug. 20—	Cockerline, Donna Lynn	Robert A. and Joanne B. (Hadley)
July 7—	Connell, Raymond Alfred	George E. and Frances C. (Charlton)
Jan. 27—	Cossar, George Edwin	George A. and Pauline M. (Tarvish)
June 2—	Crawford, Thomas Alexander, Jr.	Thomas A. and Edith A. (Hutchinson)
Dec. 29—	Daley, Ralph Edward	Robert F. and Annie (Kostechko)
Jan. 14—	Daly, Jean Marie	Victor B. and Mary J. (Coffey)
July 25—	Davis, Donna Marie	William J. and Phyllis V. (Pulsifer)
Dec. 19—	DeLaHaye, Donna Lee	Kenneth E. and Ruth J. A. (Haverkamp)
July 28—	DelPapa, Elizabeth	Domenic and Carmella (Carlo)
July 4—	DeWolfe, James Robert	James A. and Anne L. (Abreu)
June 23—	Dube, William Edward	Joseph R. and Margaret M. (Savoy)
Dec. 7—	Dubey, John Edward, Jr.	John E. and Rita L. (Milot)
Apr. 14—	Dundas, Sharon Ann	John A. and Theresa (Desrosiers)
Nov. 7—	Dunn, George Roland	Kenneth and Marjorie R. (Stockwell)
Apr. 6—	Elliott, Glen David	George E. and Theresa M. (Canton)
Oct. 28—	Fitzpatrick, Gayle Frances	John F. and Barbara G. (Brickett)
Aug. 14—	Fitzpatrick, Thomas Kevin	Frederick J. and Lois E. (Hanson)
July 29—	Fletcher, Marcia Ann	Austin D. Jr. and Muriel E. (Johnson)
July 15—	Fogden, Robin Lee	Kenneth L. and Mary (Southam)
Feb. 9—	Forsyth, Thomas Joseph	Gerald F. and Marie D. (Aucoin)
Sept. 13—	Forty, Kent Hanson	Albert H. and Grace (Hanson)
Feb. 20—	Gagnon, Pauline Marie	Francis J. and Annette P. (Nadeau)
Sept. 29—	Gelinas, Donald Phillip	Fernand R. and Claire M. (Cote)
Aug. 7—	Gerlach, Paula Elaine	Walter W. and Mildred Y. (Langley)
June 21—	Gower, Francis Edwin	George D. and Marie L. (Tousignant)
Nov. 7—	Gower, Nancy Mary	Robert F. and Lorraine T. (Lamy)
Dec. 14—	Greenslade, Arthur Theodore III	Arthur T. Jr. and Shirley V. (Reid)

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Jan. 13—	Guertin, Marilyn Ann	William H. and Irene (Tousignant)
Sept. 10—	Hall, James Rodney	Albert L. and Doris A. (Pray)
May 12—	Harris, Paul Arthur	Milton W. and Mildred (Teed)
May 18—	Healy, Brian William	Richard K. and Margaret (O'Toole)
Oct. 31—	Hoffman, Mark Philip	Frank G. and Virginia M. (Naylor)
Jan. 3—	Hudlin, Margaret Mary	James N. and Margaret M. (Thompson)
Sept. 18—	Jones, Linda	Walter F. and Rita (Carney)
Mar. 29—	Kazeniak, Mildred Ann	Herbert P. and Marjorie L. (Latham)
Jan. 17—	Kendall, Donald Eugene	Donald E. and Rita M. (Bishop)
Aug. 15—	Kibby, Janet Marjorie	Charles L. and Lillian M. (Barney)
May 9—	Kiver, Marsha Leigh	Walter and Norma P. (Leigh)
Oct. 23—	Kovalchek, David Allen	George and Helen L. (McLean)
June 28—	Mesle, Marion Lewis	Richard L. and Mary E. (Thompson)
Nov. 14—	Moreno, Judith Ann	Michael and Florence (Marinel)
May 11—	Nabb, Paul Ellison	Herbert G. and Doris E. (Nichols)
Nov. 6—	Neilsen, Patricia Ann	Alf A. and Mary A. (Mallozzi)
May 21—	Patenaude, Kathleen Ann	Leo F. and Gladys M. (Earle)
Sept. 16—	Pendergast, Natalie Jean	Thomas M. and Alexandra (Chudack)
Nov. 21—	Pearson, Deborah Jean	Emile H. and Jean H. (Logan)
Oct. 14—	Perkins, Robert Bliss	Robert B. and Edith E. (Taylor)
Mar. 16—	Pierce, Randall Bruce	Laurence C. and Marjorie R. (Bumps)
Sept. 28—	Raymond, Lynn Adele	John A. and Adele M. (Fritz)
Dec. 6—	Ricard, Garry Joseph	Joseph and Ida (Boucher)
Aug. 15—	Roscoe, Mary	Charles and Josephine (Sosnowski)
Mar. 19—	Ross, Brenda Ann	August P. and Louise M. (Gagnon)
June 20—	Smith, Deborah Mary	Arthur J. and Theresa (Patenaude)
Aug. 24—	Stepinski, Russell Lee	Frank J. and Margaret I. (McKinley)
Oct. 12—	St. Gelais, Richard Henry	Rene L. and Marjorie A. (Hall)
Feb. 20—	Swanson, Sherry Leigh	Varnum H. and Marion (Johnston)
Aug. 12—	Telangitz, Krista	Laurence and Zonia (Denesevich)
Aug. 23—	Uher, Joel Kimball	Joseph F. and Norma D. (Kimball)
May 12—	Valcourt, Donald Joseph	Joseph R. and Theresa M. (Lambert)
May 7—	Vaughn, Steven Leslie	Wilbert L. and Enid F. (Tucker)
Mar. 2—	Wallace, James Rolwing	James R. and Theresa S. (Dubey)
Oct. 28—	West, Jack Robert	Charles F. and Elizabeth A. (Edmands)
Aug. 3—	Woodard, Audrey Mary	Clark E. and Rita A. (Coupal)
Apr. 25—	Woznac, Richard Wayne	Alexander M. and Jeannette M. (Milot)
May 20—	Wyman, Jane Mary	Shirley C. and Esther L. (Stephens)
July 27—	Wyman, Thelma Anna	Horace F. and Iona B. (Farrow)
Nov. 4—	Yeschanin, Dorothy Mae	John and Gwendolyn (Ingalls)
Jan. 27—	Young, George Robert	George R. and Betty A. (Edgar)

Males, 41; Females, 42; Total Number Recorded, 83.

MARRIAGES

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford — 1950

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Feb. 26	Abreu, Robert Anthony	24	Westford	Lowell
	Burton, Vera Alice	19	Ayer	Ayer
June 3	Accettullo, Domenic	24	Brookline	Boston
	Teresko, Dimitri	28	Westford	Westford
June 17	Bellemore, Lionel Arthur	21	Westford	Westford
	Woods, Lillian Ruth	20	Groton	Groton
Jan. 28	Binns, Robert Stanley	37	Westford	Methuen
	Turner, Hazel (Crabtree)	36	Methuen	Methuen
Feb. 11	Boisvert, Ronald Joseph	21	Westford	Three Rivers, Can.
	Milot, Cecile Marie	19	Westford	Westford
June 17	Bombush, Peter	54	Westford	Ukraine, Russia
	Britko, Julia (Poznick)	54	Westford	Grodno, Poland
June 30	Brule, Roger Joseph	26	Westford	Westford
	Scenna, Dorothy Frances (Shea)	29	Melrose	Melrose
Sept. 2	Burnham, David Arthur	21	Westford	Westford
	Hosmer, Virginia Doris	17	Westford	Westford
July 2	Byron, Rudolph Raymond	21	Westford	Westford
	Paquin, Sarah Frances	20	Lowell	Lowell
June 3	Cartford, Gerhard Malling	27	Oakes, No. Dakota	
			Ft. Dauphin, Madagascar	
	Ferguson, Pauline Edna	22	Westford	Lowell
Sept. 17	Chase, Richard Earle	22	Ayer	Ayer
	Boisvert, Gabrielle Alice	18	Westford	Bristol, Conn.
Aug. 6	Clark, Thomas Edward, Jr.	28	Lowell	Lowell
	Szylvain, Charlotte Anne	26	Westford	Westford
Jan. 15	Cockerline, Robert Allen	20	Lowell	Lowell
	Hadley, Joanne Beatrice	17	Westford	Newton
Dec. 2	Cook, Raymond Edward	32	Nashua, N.H.	Burke, N.Y.
	Anctil, Annette Beatrice	37	Nashua, N.H.	Nashua, N.H.
Jan. 14	Cowles, Dwight William	57	Westford	Beverly
	Sweet, Elsie (Bannister)	43	Littleton	Chelsea
Dec. 23	Dubey, Leonard Paul	22	Westford	Lowell
	Toohey, Lorraine Mary	18	Lawrence	Lawrence
Dec. 16	Dubey, Thomas Carol	23	Westford	Westford
	Beebe, Marjorie Evelyn	22	Westford	Westford

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Aug. 6	Dubinski, John Francis	27	Westford	Westford
	Suslovitch, Sophie Helen	23	Tewksbury	Tewksbury
Sept. 16	Dundas, David James	19	Westford	Westford
	Cote, Rita Loretta	18	Westford	Westford
Oct. 22	Fahey, Leroy George, Jr.	21	Natick	Northampton
	Nadolny, Theresa Aliceann	21	Westford	Lowell
Sept. 22	Fletcher, Ralph Andrew	54	Westford	Westford
	Baxter, Sibyl (Lander)	30	Newton	Boston
July 1	Gosselin, Gerald Emile	23	Lowell	Dracut
	Lamy, Jacqueline Vivian	21	Westford	Westford
Apr. 9	Gower, Robert Francis	20	Westford	Westford
	Lamy, Lorraine Theresa	20	Westford	Westford
Apr. 30	Greenslade Arthur	21	Westford	Westford
	Theodore, Jr.			
	Reid, Shirley Victoria	21	Chelmsford	Detroit, Mich.
July 8	Hatfield, Jerome V,	42	Tyngsborough	Yarmouth, N.S.
	Scully, Lena Gertrude (Johnson)	46	Nashua, N.H.	Malden
Dec. 10	Hegarty, Daniel	40	Westford	Boston
	Zeghibe, Nancy Elizabeth (Alfrey)	22	Westford	Malden
May 27	Hodge, Charles Edward	26	Lowell	Lowell
	Roux, Jeannine Marie	18	Westford	Coaticook, P.Q., Can.
June 17	Holmes, Thomas Emanuel	24	Westford	Westford
	Heroux, Jeannine Jacqueline	21	Westford	Three Rivers, Can.
June 18	Hutcherson, Ralph Vance	31	Winston-Salem, N.C.	Winston-Salem, N.C.
	Daranchuc, Antanina	28	Westford	Westford
May 3	Jaroma, John Henry	23	Westford	Mass.
	Dubowik, Vera Lorraine	25	Westford	Mass.
Dec. 9	Kane, Lawrence Robert	24	Westford	Westford
	Harris, Matilda	26	Westford	Belfast, Ireland
Oct. 14	King, John Michael, Jr.	24	Tewksbury	Lowell
	Milot, Doris Cecile	21	Westford	Westford
Sept. 9	Koning, William, Jr.	24	Westford	Medford
	Hanlon, Doris Mary	21	Medford	Medford

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Dec. 25	Lamy, Napoleon	23	Westford	St. Thomas, Canada
	Degagne, Jacqueline Claire	17	Lowell	Lowell
June 3	Langlois, Joseph Edward	21	Lowell	Lowell
	MacArthur, Doris Eleanor	19	Westford	Attleboro
Jan. 7	Leedberg, Chester Gerald	24	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Milot, Pearl Mildred	25	Westford	Westford
Sept. 3	Luhaink, Luca	24	Maynard	Maynard
	Milot, Viola	21	Westford	Westford
Aug. 5	Lyons, Walter Joseph	23	Arlington	Cambridge
	Lavalley, Mildred Edith	21	Westford	Pepperell
Sept. 30	Mangano, Santo	26	Andover	Lawrence
	Costello, Eileen Frances	19	Westford	Westford
Sept. 30	Martin, Leo Uldege	28	Westford	Westford
	Murphy, Georgene Agnes	24	Lowell	Lowell
Nov. 19	McNutt, Emmett L.	43	Brookline	McArthur, Ohio
	Flanagan, Ruth N. (Corbitt)	40	Brookline	Chicago, Illinois
Sept. 30	Milne, Douglas	23	Westford	Lowell
	Cote, Constance Claire	18	Westford	Lowell
July 30	Milot, Fernand Joseph	29	Westford	Westford
	Carnevale, Mary Louise	23	Lowell	Lowell
May 28	Milot, Fernand Robert	26	Westford	Westford
	Sullivan Margaret Patricia	26	Lowell	Lowell
Feb. 4	Moran, Francis Joseph	25	Westford	Lowell
	Rice, Eleanor Elizabeth	29	Westford	Bangor, Maine
Sept. 8	Mountain, Edward Percy	42	Westford	Westford
	Newman, Muriel Esther Frances (Simpson)	36	Westford	Brockton
Sept. 3	Nadolny, Raymond Stanley	24	Westford	Dracut
	Young, Margaret Anna	18	Tewksbury	Everett
May 26	Nash, Gerald Quentin	26	Nashua, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
	LaFontaine, Lucille Priscilla	25	Hudson, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
July 1	Nixon, Lawrence Mansfield	27	Westford	Harvard
	Raney, Marjorie Dorothy	24	Dracut	Lowell
Oct. 7	Nyder, Walter	23	Westford	Westford
	Ross, Pearl Violet	25	Westford	Westford
	(LeFebre)	25	Westford	Westford

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
June 10	Panneton, Lionel Joseph	28	Westford	St. Thomas, Canada
	St. Louis, Marie Jeanne	22	Lowell *	Lowell
	Pauline			
Apr. 9	Rakip, Robert Donald	24	Ayer	Lowell
	Brule, Muriel Marie	20	Westford	Westford
Mar. 25	Resnick, Louis	51	Haverhill	Ukraine, Russia
	Toy, Ida	40	Westford	Ukraine, Russia
May 13	Ricard, Albert Joseph	21	Westford	Westford
	Milot, Gloria Delores	20	Westford	Westford
Apr. 9	Sambito, Anthony Robert	19	Littleton	Leominster
	Olsson, Madeline Eva	21	Westford	Brentwood, N. H.
Sept. 30	Scott, David Chelvik	26	Westford	Westford
	Thomson, Grace Mary	24	Lowell	Lowell
May 6	Simmons, Gerald Williston	26	Dunstable	Salem
	Shea, Rena Frances	25	Westford	Westford
Feb. 25	Skehan, Richard Francis	27	Lowell	Concord
	Peterson, Elsie Viola	30	Westford	Westford
Nov. 18	Sullivan, John Francis, Jr.	19	Westford	Westford
	Woznac, Monica Louise	19	Westford	Westford
Dec. 9	Swensley, Magnus	49	Westford	Roros, Norway
	Anderson, Lillian Elfrida	36	Malden	Boston
Sept. 8	Tousignant, Armand Emile	22	Westford	Haverhill
	Colby, Phyllis Louise	18	Chelmsford	Manchester, Conn.
July 20	Van Strien, William Richard	25	Battle Creek, Mich.	
				Battle Creek, Mich.
	Halko, Vera Ann	24	Westford	Westford
Apr. 23	Wallace, Anthony Adam	33	Westford	Lowell
	Tucker, Helen Joan	28	Lowell	Lowell
June 24	Webber, Philip Smith	21	Littleton	Ayer
	Burne, Patricia Wynne	20	Westford	Westford
July 1	Wolkowich, Andrew	32	Westford	Lawrence
	Hainsworth Mona	30	Tyngsboro	Tyngsboro
July 29	Woods, Earl Gale	24	Somerville	Cambridge
	Randall, Norma Joan	18	Westford	Lowell
Total Number Recorded: 66				

DEATHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford, 1950

Date of Death	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Mar. 4	Bale, Frank Valentine—husband of Helga (Lundgren)	52	....	20
Mar. 18	Baron, Mary Louise (Swan—widow of Charles C.	82	8	6
Jan. 29	Basinas Vasilios—husband of Antonia (Koulis)	58	8	13
Dec. 8	Bellemore, Omer—husband of Oneda	47	10	5
Dec. 2	Berninghausen, Eric K.	6	....	....
Sept. 29	Bouchard, Jacqueline	3	11	2
Oct. 20	Brule, Adelard—widower of Jeanne (St. Laurent)	82	3	11
Jan. 3	Buckshorn, Adeline Maria (Fisher)—widow of Louis H.	89	....	3
May 26	Cavanaugh, David Raymond	7	5	27
Jan. 3	Chandler, Susan Russell (Parson)—widow of George E.	83	8	27
Nov. 14	Chase, James Harvey—husband of Anna (Rourk)	61	3	11
Mar. 20	Cobb, Edith P. (Synder)—wife of Wallace A.	63	3	20
Jan. 17	Collins, Frank—husband of Alice (Prescott)	64	2	28
Apr. 5	Critzlo, William Norman	76	6	....
Mar. 28	Dane, Florence Gertrude (Durgin)—wife of Ernest H.	78	....	11
Jan. 22	Dare, Jane Ann (O'Hara)—widow of James Henry	80	5	13
Jan. 4	Feeney, Janet (MacDougall)—widow of John	86	7	14
Sept. 21	Fenton, Robert Conard, Sr.—husband of Lenora (Wood- dell)	64	11	7
Aug. 2	Gatenby, Charlotte A., (Burrows)—widow of William	77	3	....
Oct. 1	Goucher, Mary Susan (England)—widow of Lionel T.	73	3	11
Nov. 9	Hill, Adelaide (Giffin)—wife of Harry Leslie	64	....	....
Sept. 22	Hunt, Edmund James—husband of Annie Whigham	72	1	13
Feb. 5	Lamy, Roland Noe—husband of Renette (Lamothe)	28	6	21
Jan. 4	McLenna, Lester A.—husband of Helen (Charlton)	67	3	22

Date of Death	NAME	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Aug. 28	Paduano, John—husband of Rose (Testa)	72	---	12
Oct. 16	Pickup, Clara M. (Maillard)—wife of Thomas W.	87	1	1
July 25	Pote, Guy S.—husband of Margaret E. (Lyons)	58	8	18
Sept. 25	Poznick, George—husband of Catherine (Saley)	67	5	16
Nov. 29	Remis, Stanley J.—husband of Frances (Prackneck)	66	6	4
July 11	Romanowsky, Ann C. (Silin)—widow of Christopher	64	---	---
Aug. 6	Schill, Hulda (Lovendale)—widow of Andrew J.	73	8	25
Aug. 13	Seifer, Jane (MacDonald)—wife of William F.	72	9	26
Dec. 13	Stanley, Robert William—husband of Bertha (Von Bergen)	62	1	17
Dec. 19	Taft, Gabriella Glines (Marsh)—widow of Jess G.	92	3	8
Oct. 4	Tarvish, Amelia (Klemtia)—widow of Charles E.	73	7	12
Jan. 12	Tousignant, William Z.—husband of Regina (Berthiaume)	66	11	23
May 13	Vervaert, Aime—widow of Marianne (Marbach)	81	---	23
Apr. 9	Vickers, Ephraim—husband of Florence (Orange)	62	---	---
Jan. 3	Wendell, Thomas	81	---	6

	Male	Female	Total
Total Number Recorded	24	18	42
Deaths in Westford	10	7	17
Residents of Westford	23	17	40

NOTE

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the foregoing reports of births, marriages and deaths and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be discerned therein, so that the records may be corrected. An error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition under oath made by one who is required by law, to furnish the information for the original record or by one or more creditable persons having knowledge of the case.

(See General Laws, Chapter 46, Section 13 as amended.)

Births occurring late in the year are sometimes returned without the Christian name. In such cases parents should return the name to the Town Clerk as soon as selected, as incompleteness of the record may occasion trouble in the future.

Attention is particularly called to the following extracts from the General Laws:

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46

Section 1. Each city and town clerk shall receive or obtain and record * * * facts relative to the births * * * in his city or town.

Section 3: Every physician or medical officer registered shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge and * * * shall, within fifteen days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report * * * if the child is illegitimate, the name and other facts relating to the father shall not be stated except at the request in writing of both father and mother filed * * * Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported * * * A physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars * * *

Section 4. A member or servant of a family in which a child is born, having knowledge of the facts required * * * shall furnish the same upon request of the clerk of the town * * * or of any person authorized by him. (Penalty for refusing, not more than ten dollars.)

Section 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder within forty days after a birth in his house shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such a child is born.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 207

Section 36. If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth, who return to dwell here, they shall within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the town where either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage including the facts required in a notice of intention of marriage.

Section 55. Whoever violates Section 36 shall forfeit ten dollars.

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital medical officers applying therefor, with blanks for return of births as required by law.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,

Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT ON DOGS

Number of Dog Licenses issued from January 1, 1950 through December 31, 1950:

252 Males @ \$2.00	\$504.00
56 Females @ \$5.00	280.00
107 Spayed Females @ \$2.00	214.00
5 Kennels @ \$10.00	50.00
1 Transfer	
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421 Total	\$1,048.00
Clerk's fees @ .20 on 420 Licenses	\$ 84.00
Paid to Town as per Treasurer's Receipts	964.00
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	\$1,048.00

The attention of owners and keepers of dogs is called to the following extracts from Chapter 140 of the General Laws as amended:

Definition: "License period," the time between April first and the following March thirty-first, both dates inclusive.

Section 137. A person who at the commencement of a license period is, or who during any license period becomes, the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old during a license period, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed until the end of such license period, and the owner or keeper of a dog so registered, numbered, described and licensed during any license period, in order to own or keep such dog after the beginning of the succeeding license period, shall, before the beginning thereof, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for such period.—The registering, numbering, describing and licensing of a dog—shall be—if kept in any—town in the office of the clerk thereof.

The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished,—by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the condition expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper

of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk— at a cost of ten cents which, if received by a town clerk, shall be retained by him unless otherwise provided by law.

Section 139. Fees for licenses. The fees for every license shall, except as otherwise provided, be two dollars for a male dog and five dollars for a female dog, unless a certificate of a registered veterinarian who performed the operation that said female dog has been spayed and has thereby been deprived of the power of propagation has been filed with the town clerk, in which case the fee shall be two dollars. A certified copy of such certificate on file in the office of any town clerk within the Commonwealth may be accepted as evidence that the said operation has been performed.—

DOG LICENSES ISSUED THRU DECEMBER 31, 1950

Abbot, Edward M (k4)	Blott, Leonard F. (s)
Abbott, Jessie (s)	Bobryk, Peter (m)
Abrahamson, Robert M. (2m)	Boisvert, Lionel J. (m)
Abreu, Anthony (m)	Boisvert, Roland E. (s)
Aguiar, Manuel &)	Boisvert, Roland J. (s)
Bouvier, David Z.) (m)	Boisvert, William J. (m)
Alcorn, Charles A. (m)	Bolger, David E. (m)
Alcorn, Frederick H. (m)	Bouchard, Joseph T. (m)
Allen, E. Kent (s)	Brewster, Carl S. (m)
Anderson, John W. (m)	Brittain, Josephine T. (f)
Antonelli, John (1m 1f)	Broughton, Geoffrey (s)
Antonelli, Peter (m)	Brule, Josephat (s)
Atwood, Florence E. (2m)	Brule, Laurent J. (m)
Basinas, Antonia (f)	Bubeshko, Alexander (m)
Basinas, James V. (1m 1f)	Budge, William K. (1f 1s)
Baum, Reginald S. (m)	Bunker, Louis F. (f)
Bechard, Jennie (m)	Burke, George H. (m)
Beebe, Alma L. (m)	Burnham, David A. (f)
Beebe, Willard W. (m)	Butko, George W. (m)
Belida, Wasil (m)	Caless, Chester A. (s)
Bell, Muriel D. (s)	Caless, Sybell L. (m)
Berchtold, Otto H. (m)	Carlsen, John (s)
Black, Francis (m)	Carmichael, Charlotte (f)
Blais, Elzear (m)	Carpentier, Clifford G. (m)
Blanchard, Roy E. (m)	Carter, W. Wallace (s)
Blodgett, Chas. A. & Fred R. (f)	Cassidy, Robert V. (m)

Chace, Helen S. (f)
 Chagnon, Dewey B. (s)
 Chamberlain, Jean M. (f)
 Chandonait, Alphonse A. (m)
 Chandonait, Francis H. (s)
 Charette, Andrew J. (m)
 Charlton, Arthur L. (m)
 Charlton, Elizabeth B. (m)
 Charlton, Joyce & Juanita (m)
 Chisholm, Nelson A. (m)
 Chisholm, Walter E. (1m 1f)
 Clements, Edna Kittredge (s)
 Clough, Kenneth W. (s)
 Cole, Ralph E. (1f 1s)
 Comey, Gertrude E. (m)
 Condon, Garrett J. (s)
 Connell, Frederick (s)
 Connell, Robert (m)
 Connolly, Robert J. (m)
 Conrad, John T. (m)
 Corfield, George O. (s)
 Corkum, Bennett S. (m)
 Cossar, George A. Jr. (f)
 Cote, Constance C. (m)
 Cote, Paul A. (m)
 Coulter, Alvin H. (m)
 Coupal, Napoleon Sr. (s)
 Courchaine, Donald E. (m)
 Creed, Roland H. (m)
 Culp, Lawrence R. (m)
 Currier, William M. (3m)
 Daley, Edward L. (m)
 Daly, Francis E. (m)
 Daly, Vincent (m)
 Day, Norman E. (1m 1s)
 Day, W. Otis (m)
 Decato, Herbert C. (m)
 Degagne, Samuel J. (m)
 DeLaHaye, Evelyn M. (s)
 DeLaHaye, Kenneth E. (f)
 DelPapa, Domenic (f)
 Denisevich, Zachary (s)
 Donnelly, Harry C. (m)
 Doucette, Victor G. (m)
 Drew, Ben W. (s)
 Drew, Irving R. (2m)
 Drummy, William H. (m)
 Dubey, George F. (m)
 Dubey, Joseph T. (m)
 Dubinski, Joseph P. (m)
 Dubinski, Joseph W. (s)
 Dunn, Kenneth (2f)
 Dupras, Carl P. (m)
 Dupras, Fred L. (m)
 Dupuis, Walter J. (m)
 Dureault, Joseph V. (m)
 Dureault, Raymond R. (m)
 Dureault, Wilfred J. (m)
 Eaton, Charles W. (1m 1f)
 Elliott, Augustus (m)
 Elliott, James M. (m)
 Elliott, Priscilla B. (m)
 Ellison, Frederick J. H. (s)
 Ellison, Jacob E. (m)
 Ennis, Richard F. (m)
 Erwin, Charles M. (m)
 Fallon, Owen P. (2m)
 Farrell, Donald (s)
 Farwell, Lawrence W. (m)
 Ferguson, Howard H. (m)
 Ferris, Eleanor R. (1m 1s)
 Field, Elizabeth B. (m)
 Finnila, Ida (f)
 Fitzpatrick, Frederick J. (m)
 Flanagan, Doris (m)
 Fletcher, Walter W. (f)
 Forsyth, Gerald F. (m)
 Frost, Alice E. (s)
 Gagnon, John F. (m)
 Gagnon, Lillian M. (m)
 Gamage, Henry E. (m)
 Gantzel, John H. (f)
 Gardel, Fortuna (m)
 Gatenby, Frederick W. (s)
 Gelinas, Alphonse J. (f)
 Gelinas, Hervey J. (s)
 Gibbons, James W. (m)
 Gilson, George & William (s)
 Gormley, Lawrence G. (f)
 Gould, Edwin H. (m)

Graves, Paul R. (s)
 Greenough, Caroline G. (m)
 Greenwood, Wilfred C. (1m 1s)
 Guillemette, Albert J. (m)
 Guolla, Victoria A. (s)
 Gustafson, William F. (s)
 Hadley, Doris J. (s)
 Hall, John H. (m)
 Hall, Philip G. (m)
 Hall, Richard W. (m)
 Hamelin, Alfred L. (k4)
 Harrington, William C. (m)
 Hartford, Hazel B. (s)
 Hartley, Joseph D. (m)
 Healey, John T. (s)
 Healy, Anne G. (m)
 Healy, Richard J. (m)
 Hebert, Irene H. (m)
 Heman, Robert J. (m)
 Hildreth, Albert A. (m)
 Hildreth, Arthur G. (m)
 Hildreth, Charles L. (m)
 Hildreth, Stuart B. (m)
 Hodgson, Eileen M. (m)
 Hodgson, Harry (m)
 Holmes, James (f)
 Holmes, Thomas E. (m)
 Hook, Eric G. (m)
 Horner, Frederick (m)
 Ingalls, Harry M. (f)
 Ingalls, Herbert E. (m)
 Jaroma, John H. (m)
 Jewett, Ellsworth J. (m)
 Johnson, Donald F. (f)
 Johnston, Carl H. B. (s)
 Johnston, Lawrence S. (m)
 Jones, Arthur C. (1m 1f)
 Kane, Lawrence R. (2s)
 Kaplan, Samuel G. (m)
 Karkota, Frank P. (m)
 Kavanagh, John F. (s)
 Kazeniac, Stanley (m)
 Kimball, John A. (1m 1f)
 King, James A. (m)
 Knight, Stephen M. (f)
 Kofonicos, John V. (m)
 Koning, William (m)
 Kosowicz, Stanley (f)
 Kostechko, Simon (m)
 Labbe, Herve R. (m)
 Lahme, Paul W. (m)
 Lamb, James E. (m)
 Lambert, Benjamin deF (s)
 Lamie, Adelina M. (m)
 Lamson, Wetherbee (m)
 Langley, Walter F. (s)
 Larson, Jane (s)
 LeDuc, Rita M. (s)
 Leedberg, Waldo S. (m)
 LeFebvre, Eva A. (m)
 Lefebvre, Dorothy S. (m)
 Lehtinen, T. Edwin (1m 1s)
 Levasseur, Louis (2m)
 Levinson, David H. (s)
 Lewkowicz, John (m)
 Loynes, Frank (m)
 Lund, Betty (s)
 Macauley, Reginald H. (m)
 MacDonald, Marie (m)
 MacPhail, Lillian P. (s)
 MacQuarrie, William Q. (m)
 Maffini, Virginia (3m)
 Maguire, Francis C. (s)
 Mann, Dulcie J. (1m 1f)
 Mann, George W. (m)
 Mann, Mabel E. (s)
 Martin, John A (2m)
 Mason, Elmer E. (f)
 McCarthy, Arthur (m)
 McDonald, Annie (s)
 McDonald, Barbara B. (f)
 McLenna, Edward F. (m)
 Menard, Alfred (s)
 Merrick, Mary (m)
 Michelson, Jacob (m)
 Miksha, Paul (2m)
 Milewski, Edward J. (m)
 Miller, Jennie P. (s)
 Millet, William A. (m)
 Milot, Alberic G. (s)

Milot, Arthur J. (s)
 Milot, Charles C. (s)
 Milot, Lucien (m)
 Moore, M. Phyllis (s)
 Moore, Willard F. Jr. (f)
 Moulton, David C. (f)
 Mountain, Albert E. (f)
 Mountain, Edward P. (2m)
 Mulligan, Francis J. (s)
 Munroe, Howard T. (2s)
 Murchie, Adin D. (f)
 Nelson, Max (1m 1s)
 Nesmith, Eva L. (s)
 Newick, Albert E. (f)
 Nixon, Warren M. (m)
 Nowers, Francis L. (s)
 Nyder, Walter (m)
 Nylund, Carl R. (s)
 O'Connell, William L. (m)
 Ohlson, Axel E. (2m)
 O'Leary, Charles G. (s)
 Oliver, Joseph Sr. (m)
 Oliver, Louis F. (m)
 Olson, Arthur H. (m)
 Orr, Robert J. (m)
 Osgood, Earl C. (s)
 Ouellette, Grace M. (s)
 Paduano, Frank (m)
 Palmer, Roger A. (s)
 Paul, Robert L. (m)
 Pearson, N. Lois (m)
 Perkins, Clifford A. Jr. (m)
 Perkins, Joseph J. (m)
 Perkins, Robert B. (2m 1f)
 Perkins, Thomas H. (m)
 Perrins, Robert H. (m)
 Peterson, Edgar S. (f)
 Phalon, Robert (m)
 Phillips, Donald R. (s)
 Phillips, Norman A. (m)
 Picking, Albert H. (m)
 Picking, Arthur (m)
 Picking, Frederick H. (m)
 Pierce, Laurence C. (1m 1f)
 Pine, Thomas A. (m)
 Pope, Charles E. (m)
 Porter, Clarence O. (2f)
 Pote, Margaret E. (k4)
 Poulin, Delia M. (2s)
 Prescott, Philip T. (f)
 Profita, Joseph M. (s)
 Provost, Edmund L. (m)
 Provost, Mary A. (s)
 Psarias, John (m)
 Randall, Beverly J. (m)
 Reeves, Alfred J. (1m 1f)
 Reeves, Frances L. (f)
 Reeves, George E. (m)
 Reynolds, Maxwell W. (m)
 Ricard, Lionel J. P. (f)
 Richards, Samuel A. (3m)
 Riel, Hermas I. (s)
 Robbins, Catherine E. (m)
 Roberts, Herman S. (s)
 Robinson, Walter H. Jr. (s)
 Robinson, William E. (m)
 Roderson, Virginia S. (s)
 Rogers, Edmund D. (k4)
 Romanowsky, Arnold P. & Norden,
 Sextus E. (k4)
 Rooks, Beverly J. (s)
 Rooks, Maurice B. (m)
 Roux, William J. (2m)
 Russell, Edward F. (m)
 Ryan, James L. Jr. (m)
 Sawosik, Michael (m)
 Schill, Frederick (2m)
 Scott, David C. (f)
 Scott, Everett A. (m)
 Siemlanski, Edward J. (s)
 Sienkewicz, John (s)
 Simons, Sigmund (s)
 Slatterly, Robert L. (s)
 Sleeper, Charles N. (m)
 Smith, F. Stanley (s)
 Smith, Paul F. (s)
 Smith, Robert G. (s)
 Smith, Ruth S. (m)
 Socha, Marygan (s)
 Sproul, Samuel M. (s)
 Stannlonis, Jacob (s)

Stewart, Waldo E. (f)	Webber, Edwin J. (m)
Stone, Ellen L. (m)	Wells, Allan M. (m)
Sudak, Nicholas Jr. (m)	Wetmore, Jerome W. (m)
Suzedelys, Stanley (m)	Wetmore, Anna B. (s)
Swanson, Varnum H. (m)	Whelan, James E. (s)
Szczigla, Anna (m)	Whitney, Harry G. (m)
Talancy, Mary (s)	Whitney, Nathaniel R. (m)
Targ, Theodore J. (m)	Wilder, George S. (1m 1s)
Taylor, Clayton T. (s)	Williamson, Charles (m)
Tebbetts, George R. (s)	Wilson, David J. (m)
Tereshko, Walter (m)	Wilson, Raymond S. (s)
Thompson, Raymond E. (m)	Wilson, T. Arthur E. (m)
Todd, Herman L. (m)	Winship, Robert L. (s)
Totton, Thomas F. (m)	Woitowicz, Florian (m)
Tousignant, Adelard A. (f)	Wolosewicz, Constantine (m)
Tuttle, Richard A. (m)	Wood, Francis C. (m)
Tuttle, Ruth P. (s)	Woodard, Rita A. (s)
VanNorden, Lamert A. (m)	Woodard, Shirley A. (m)
Vasselin, Norman J. (m)	Woznac, Alexander M. (2f)
Vaughn, Wilbert L. (s)	Wright, Claude H. (m)
Vervaert, Marcel (m)	Wright, James F. (m)
Voropay, Nicholas P. (m)	Wyman, Carl P. (f)
Vyskaska, Mary (m)	Wyman, Esther S. (m)
Wajda, Stanley J. (f)	Wyman, Horace F. (s)
Walker, Robert J. (m)	Wyman, William W. (m)
Walsh, Michael J. (s)	Young Catherine S. (m)
Wardrope, William F. (m)	Zioto, Adolph J. (m)
Wark, Donald T. (1m 1s)	

NOTE: (m) Male; (f) Female; (s) Spayed Female; (k) Kennel.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION—MARCH 6, 1950

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Whole Number of Ballots Cast.....	384	302	129	404	1219

SELECTMEN

Cyril A. Blaney	189	175	85	286	745
James L. Knowlton	137	92	37	86	352
Samuel A. Richards	51	33	7	19	110
Victor Daly	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	7	2	0	2	11

ASSESSOR

Leonard F. Blott	47	33	19	186	285
Walter W. Fletcher, Jr.	103	35	42	42	222
William R. Healy	41	117	34	142	334
Norman K. Nesmith	185	105	33	23	346
Blanks	8	12	1	11	32

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Robert J. Heman, Jr.	99	121	49	227	496
F. Stanley Smith	238	141	76	193	648
Alfred T. Wark	262	87	52	53	454
Walter Wolkowich	46	100	26	104	276
Cyril A. Blaney	0	1	0	0	1
Ben Drew	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	122	154	55	231	562

CONSTABLE

John F. Sullivan	332	219	112	324	987
Thomas Curley	0	0	1	0	1
Robert Fenton	0	1	0	0	1
Jacob Ellison	0	1	0	0	1
Walter O. Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Edward Stuart	0	1	0	0	1
John W. Catchpole	0	0	0	1	1
Henry Payne	0	2	0	0	2
Blanks	52	77	16	79	224

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

William L. Wall	320	211	105	298	934
Robert Fenton	0	1	0	0	1
John Greig	0	1	0	0	1
Fred Schill	0	1	0	0	1
John Regan	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	64	87	24	106	281

TRUSTEE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY

Alice M. Howard	321	192	111	264	888
Frederick Schill	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	63	109	18	140	330

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER

Sebastian B. Watson	308	193	111	259	871
Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	76	108	18	145	347

BOARD OF HEALTH

Ralph E. Cole	318	196	104	266	884
Harriet Hildreth	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	66	105	25	138	334

TREASURER

Charlotte P. Greig	328	206	113	258	905
Blanks	56	96	16	146	314

TAX COLLECTOR

David I. Olsson	338	198	119	183	838
Uldege Ricard	39	86	10	210	345
Blanks	7	18	0	11	36

TREE WARDEN

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick	294	208	102	308	912
Ben Drew	0	0	1	0	1
Fred Ellison	0	1	0	0	1
Linwood Nesmith	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	90	92	26	96	304

HOUSING AUTHORITY—(Five Years)

Kent Allen	1	0	0	0	1
Willard Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Albert J. Burne	2	1	0	2	5
Frederick Burnham	0	0	1	0	1
Umberto B. Colarusso	0	0	1	0	1
Robert Connolly	0	1	0	0	1
Tom Curley	1	0	0	0	1
Victor B. Daly	0	0	0	1	1
Pearl S. Day	1	0	0	0	1
Victor Doucette	0	1	0	0	1
Herford Elliott	1	0	0	0	1
Thomas Gower	0	1	0	0	1
Herbert Graves	0	1	0	0	1
Morris Hall	0	1	0	0	1
William R. Healy	0	0	0	1	1
Robert Heman	1	0	0	0	1
Harriet Hildreth	0	1	0	0	1
Joseph Leclerc, Jr.	0	0	0	1	1
Francis Mulligan	0	0	0	1	1
F. Lawrence Nowers	1	0	0	0	1
Philip T. Prescott	2	0	0	0	2
John Regan	0	1	0	0	1
Ed Sullivan	1	0	0	0	1
William L. Wall	0	2	0	0	2
Arnold H. Wilder	1	0	0	0	1
W. E. Wright	3	0	0	0	3
Blanks	369	291	127	398	1185

HOUSING AUTHORITY—(Four Years)

Kent Allen	1	0	0	1	2
R. Armstrong	2	0	0	0	2
Edward Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
William Chace	1	0	0	0	1
Frederick J. Fitzpatrick	0	0	0	1	1
Nellie Fletcher	0	0	1	0	1
Herbert D. Graves	1	0	0	0	1
E. T. Hanley	1	0	0	0	1
James Healy	0	1	0	0	1
Richard Healy	0	1	0	0	1
Robert Heman	0	1	0	0	1
Harriet Hildreth	0	2	0	0	2
F. Lawrence Nowers	1	0	0	0	1
P. T. Prescott	1	0	0	0	1

Edward G. Spinner	1	0	0	0	1
Mrs. G. E. St. Onge	1	0	0	0	1
John Szylvan	0	1	0	0	1
William L. Wall	0	4	0	0	4
Kenneth Wright	1	0	0	0	1
W. E. Wright	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	373	291	128	401	1193

We hereby certify that the above is a true Canvass of the Votes Cast at the Annual Town Election held March 6, 1950.

ATTEST,

PAUL L. DUNIGAN

JAMES J. McKNIFF

NORMAN E. DAY

CHARLES L. HILDRETH

Board of Registrars of Voters—Westford.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING—MARCH 11, 1950

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Saturday, March 11, 1950, at 1:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Rev. J. Kevin McAndrews, gave the invocation.

Albert A. Hildreth and Robert J. Spinner, using Check Lists, acted as Tellers at the doors of the Hall.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

The Canvass of the Votes Cast at the Town Election, March 6th, made by the Board of Registrars of Voters, was read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1 Voted to accept the Reports of Town Officers and Committees, as printed in the Town Report, with the exception of the Report of the School Planning Committee, action on this Report to be deferred until after Article 37 has been acted on.

ARTICLE 2 Voted that the Compensation of the Town Officers be as follows and affective as of January 1, 1950:

Selectmen—Chairman \$225.00. Other two members \$200.00 each.

Board of Public Welfare—Chairman \$20.00. Other two Members \$10.00 each.

Town Treasurer—\$1,880.00.

Town Clerk—\$400.00.

Collector of Taxes—\$1,600.00.

Tree Warden—\$0.90 per hour.

Assessors—\$1.10 per hour for day of 8 hours.

Registrars of Voters—\$1.10 per hour for day of 8 hours.

ARTICLE 3 1 Voted that the sum of \$12,805.00 be raised and appropriated for General Government, divided as follows:

Selectmen—\$1,000.00.

License Expense—\$100.00.

Town Accountant—\$1,175.00.

Town Treasurer—\$2,230.00.

Assessors—\$2,000.00.

Tax Collector—\$2,200.00.

Tax Title Expense—\$750.00.

Town Counsel—\$300.00.

Town Clerk—\$850.00.

Election and Registration—\$2,200.00.

- 2 Voted that the sum of \$3,411.68 be raised and appropriated for the General Expenses of the Town Hall.
- 3 Voted that the sum of \$9,446.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Police Department.
- 4 Voted that the sum of \$8,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Fire Department, divided as follows:

General Expenses—\$8,000.00.
Permanent Man—\$500.00.
- 5 Voted to take up this Item relative to Fire Hydrants after Article 41 has been acted on.
- 6 Voted that the sum of \$125.00 be raised and appropriated for the Sealer of Weights and Measures.
- 7 No action was taken on this Item relative to a Fish and Game Warden.
- 8 Voted that the sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Fighting Forest Fires.
- 9 Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Town Forest.
- 10 Voted that the sum of \$600.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Tree Warden.
- 11 Voted that the sum of \$1,300.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Moth Department, in the suppression or control of insect pests which destroy forest and shade tree foliage, including the Elm Leaf Beetle and the Dutch Elm Disease.
- 12 Voted that the sum of \$4,670.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Health Department.
- 13 Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Cattle Inspector.
- 14A Voted that the sum of \$12,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Snow and Ice Removal.
- B Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Roads.

- 15 Voted that the sum of \$53,300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Welfare Department, divided as follows:
Temporary Aid and Infirmary—\$20,000.00.
Aid to Dependent Children—\$7,500.00.
Old Age Assistance—\$25,800.00.
- 16 Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Soldiers' Benefits.
- 17 Voted that the sum of \$133,425.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the School Department.
- 18 Voted that the sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated for Vocational School Tuition.
- 19 Voted that the sum of \$3,400.00 be raised and appropriated, together with the Receipts from Dog Licenses in 1949, to defray the Expenses of the J. V. Fletcher Library.
- 20 Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Care of the Common.
- 21 Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Commemorating Memorial Day.
- 22 Voted that the sum of \$1,050.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Publishing and Distributing the Town Reports
- 23 Voted that the sum of \$4,500.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of various types of Insurance, including Fire, Compensation, Liability and Collision Insurance.
- 24 Voted that the sum of \$25.00 be raised and appropriated for Interest on Revenue Loans.
- 25 Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of Cemeteries.
- 26 Voted to take up this Item relative to Street Lights after Article 54 has been acted on.
- 27 Voted that the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be used as a Reserve Fund at the discretion of the Finance Committee as provided in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6 and that the further sum of \$10.00 be raised and appropriated to be used by the Finance Committee for payment of Membership in the Association of Town Finance Committees.
- 28 Voted unanimously that the sum of \$3,276.57 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying Unpaid Bills of 1949 and previous years as follows:

TOWN HALL:	C. B. Coburn Company	\$	5.77	
	Anthony Denisevich—Refinishing			
	Town Hall	49.00	\$	54.77
FIRE DEPARTMENT:	Sundry Persons	12.50		
	Jim Knowlton	4.42		16.92
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:	Henrick F. Johnson	60.16		
	Clover Farm Store	1.92		
	C. G. Sargent's			
	Sons Corp.	4.68		66.76
INFIRMARY:	Dr. Cyril A. Blaney	26.50		
	Charles W. Lund	263.91		
	A. G. Pollard Co.	26.47		316.88
TEMPORARY AID:	Lowell Welfare Board	643.05		
	Chelmsford Welfare Board	100.00		
	Massachusetts Public			
	Welfare	419.78		
	Dr. Ralph E. Cole	22.50		
	St. John's Hospital	80.00		
	St. Joseph's Hospital	18.00		1,283.33
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:	Chelmsford Old Age			
	Assistance	301.29		
	Lowell Old Age			
	Assistance	933.62		1,234.91
VETERANS' BENEFITS:	Dr. John R. Guarino	3.00		
	Arthur A. Abbood	300.00		303.00
				\$3,276.57

ARTICLE 4 Voted unanimously that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Revenue of the Current Financial Year and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. Voted that the sum of \$10,125.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that, in addition, the sum of \$22,275.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the Reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 6 Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, on condition that like amounts be contributed by either or both the State and County respectively, to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the Reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 7 Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be transferred from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 8 Voted that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Reconstructing North Street, contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the Reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 9 Voted that the sum of \$700.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Reconstructing Town Farm Road, contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$1,400.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the Reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 10 Voted that the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing for the Highway Department a Snow Plow for the Grader, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 11 A Motion to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purchase of Road Signs was lost.

Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing Road Signs, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 12 Voted that the sum of \$142.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a New Pump for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 13 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to the sale of the Old Sand Spreader now used by the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 14 Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing the present fence, or constructing a new fence, on the bridge on Brookside Road in Nabnasset over Stony Brook; said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 15 Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of painting Traffic Lines and Signals on the Public Ways in the Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Police Department.

ARTICLE 16 Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to settle, on behalf of the Town, a claim for damages against the Town resulting from a Taking by the County Commissioners of certain land on North Street.

ARTICLE 17 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to the preceding Article 16.

ARTICLE 18. Voted that the sum of \$600.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks, said sum of money to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and for the repair of such public sidewalks as the Selectmen shall determine.

ARTICLE 19 Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of Landscaping the grounds around the World War II Monument in Graniteville, said work to be done under the supervision of the Tree Warden.

ARTICLE 20 Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the care of the Whitney Playground.

ARTICLE 21 Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for Band Concerts during the current year.

ARTICLE 22 Voted that the sum of \$50.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing and planting an evergreen tree on the Common, said purchase to be made and planting done under the supervision of the Tree Warden.

ARTICLE 23 Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of continuing the Survey and Maps of the Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Assessors.

ARTICLE 24 Voted that the sum of \$60.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing Plaques and Flags therefor, to be used for the decoration of graves of persons who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States.

ARTICLE 25 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to raising and appropriating \$300.00 for the purpose of defraying the cost of additional janitor service at the Nabnasset School.

ARTICLE 26 Voted that the sum of \$800.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a New Automobile for the Health Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 27 Voted that the Board of Health be and hereby are authorized to sell and transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale Title to the automobile now used by the Board of Health and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the New Automobile.

ARTICLE 28 Voted that the sum of \$650.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing approximately 500 Feet of New 2½" Double Jacket Treated Fire Hose., said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 29 Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of making repairs, alterations or improvements to the Fire House Cottage, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Engineers of the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 30 A Motion that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated under this Article was lost.

Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of reconstructing the water hole on Nonset Brook in Parker Village.

ARTICLE 31 A Motion that the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing 1,500 Feet, or some other quantity, of Hose to be used by the Forest Fire Department was lost.

Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing 1,000 Feet of Hose to be used by the Forest Fire Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Forest Warden.

ARTICLE 32 Voted that the sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a New Truck for the Welfare Department for use at the Town Infirmary, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Public Welfare.

ARTICLE 33 Voted that the sum of \$350.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a New Gas Stove to be used at the Town Infirmary, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Public Welfare.

ARTICLE 34 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, selling two or more Acres of Land owned by the Town and situated on West Street in Graniteville. This Land is a part of the Town Farm Land.

ARTICLE 35 Voted that the sum of \$1,350.00: be raised and appropriated for the purpose of painting the exterior of the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 36 Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale Title to the Old Boiler in the basement of the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 37 Voted that the sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of making certain improvements to the Cameron School, said improvements to consist of the purchase and installation of New Urinals.

ARTICLE 1 Voted that the Report of the School Planning Committee be accepted.

ARTICLE 38 Voted that the School Planning Committee be continued for one year by the appointment by the Moderator of a Committee of five men and women voters, no one of whom may be a member of the School Committee, to report not later than the next Annual Town Meeting on the advantages of maintaining the entire School System within the Town limits, with suggested Plans for the solution of the School Building and Planning problems.

A voice Vote having been doubted the Moderator appointed as Tellers, Albert A. Hildreth and Robert J. Spinner, who reported a Standing Vote as Yes 57, No 37.

ARTICLE 39 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to changing the name of a Road known as "Off Nabnasset Street."

Charles L. Hildreth, Town Clerk, reported that this Road was discontinued as a Town Road by Vote of a Town Meeting held October 6, 1849.

ARTICLE 40 Voted that the Town accept Hillside Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen as shown by the Report and Plan duly filed in the Office of the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 41 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to a Hydrant on Hillside Avenue, one being already located there.

ARTICLE 3 5 Voted that the sum of \$4,537.50 be raised and appropriated for Fire Hydrants.

ARTICLE 42 Voted that the sum of \$2,313.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended.

ARTICLE 43 Voted that the Town accept the Provisions of Chapter 40, Section 6B of the General Laws relative to Uniforms for Members of the Police and Fire Departments.

ARTICLE 44 Voted that the sum of \$225.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing New Uniforms for the two Regular Police Officers, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 45 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to closing the Beach at the Junction of Dunstable Road and Long Sought For Pond Road, to the general public.

ARTICLE 46 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to restricting parking on the Roads referred to in Article 45.

ARTICLE 47 Voted to dismiss this Article relative to Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics.

Voted unanimously that most appreciative thanks be extended to Mrs. Warren M. Nixon for her excellent work during many years of service as Director and that the Town Clerk send her a copy of this Vote.

ARTICLE 48 Voted that the Town accept a Gift made to it by the Isabel F. Hyam's Fund, Inc., formerly known as the Solomon Hyam's Fund, Inc., and that the Town Clerk be directed to extend to said Corporation the appreciation of the Town for this Gift.

ARTICLE 49 Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Depot Road, near the Northerly side of the Stony Brook Railroad Crossing, where it will adequately light the area where passenger trains take on and let off passengers and where United States Mail is put on and taken off.

ARTICLE 50 Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Chamberlin Road, North of Main Street at Pole No. 11-34.

ARTICLE 51 The Vote on a Motion that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Tyngsboro Road in front of the house of John D. Psarias, being doubted, Moses L. Fecteau and John T. Conrad appointed as Tellers by the Moderator, declared the Standing Vote as Yes 12, No 21, so the Motion was lost.

ARTICLE 52 Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install Street Lights on Plain Road.

Voted to reconsider this Article.

Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install five Street Lights on Plain Road.

ARTICLE 53 Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install two Street Lights on Oak Hill Road between Forrest Road and Groton Road.

ARTICLE 54 Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one Street Light on Pond Street.

ARTICLE 55 Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install two Street Lights on Abbot Street.

ARTICLE 56 Voted that the Board of Assessors be authorized to use as Free Cash the sum of \$8,000.00, said sum to be applied in determining the Tax Rate for the year 1950.

ARTICLE 3 26 Voted that the sum of \$7,665.00 be raised and appropriated for Street Lights.

ARTICLE 57 Voted to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 58 Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH
Town Clerk—Westford

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—APRIL 14, 1950

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, held at the Town House, Friday, April 14, 1950, at 7:30 P.M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing suitable quarters, for a period of one year from this date, in the Nabnasset section of said Westford, for the Nabnasset American Legion Post No. 347 and the Auxiliary of said Post.

ARTICLE 2. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$45.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying for additional janitor services already performed at the Nabnasset School.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH

Town Clerk of Westford

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—SEPTEMBER 22, 1950

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Friday, September 22, 1950, at 8:00 o'clock P.M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Soldiers' Benefits, or said sum be transferred from Available Funds to the account entitled Soldiers' Benefits.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the sum of \$3,800.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, to the account entitled Welfare Department, Temporary Aid and Infirmary, to defray the expenses of said Department.

ARTICLE 3. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, for the purpose of making repairs to the Town Infirmary.

ARTICLE 4. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be transferred from the Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 5. Voted that the sum of \$57.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, to the account entitled Fire and Other Insurance for the purpose of defraying the cost of such insurance.

ARTICLE 6. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to sell and transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the gravel loader now used by the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 7. Voted that there be appointed a special unpaid Board to be known as a Regional School District Planning Board as provided for in Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1949, of the General Laws, to consist of three members including one member of the School Committee, and that said Committee be appointed by the Moderator, and report at the next Special or Annual Town Meeting. The Moderator immediately announced his appointment of Frederick W. Gatenby, June L. Armstrong and Mary R. Lambert as the Regional School District Planning Board.

ARTICLE 8. Voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 9. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH
Town Clerk of Westford

STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 1950

Party Designations: (R) Republican; (D) Democrat;
(SL) Socialist Labor; (P) Prohibition

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Whole Number of Ballots Cast	475	376	251	463	1565

GOVERNOR

Paul A. Dever (D)	118	254	114	363	849
Arthur W. Coolidge (R)	353	110	135	87	685
Horace I. Hillis (SL)	1	4	1	1	7
Mark R. Shaw (P)	2	1	0	1	4
Blanks	1	7	1	11	20

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Charles F. Jeff Sullivan (D)	107	245	102	360	814
Laurence Curtis (R)	361	117	142	91	711
Lawrence Gilfedder (SL)	1	2	2	1	6
Blanks	6	12	5	11	34

SECRETARY

Edward J. Cronin (D)	108	233	93	343	777
Russell A. Wood (R)	348	107	149	88	692
Ellsworth J. M. Dickson (P)	3	3	2	4	12
Fred M. Ingersoll (SL)	2	4	1	2	9
Blanks	14	29	6	26	75

TREASURER

John E. Hurley (D)	141	237	100	362	840
Fred J. Burrell (R)	310	103	139	80	632
Henning A. Blomen (SL)	1	5	2	1	9
Harold J. Ireland (P)	4	1	1	0	6
Blanks	19	30	9	20	78

AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley (D)	137	245	112	351	845
William G. Andrew (R)	325	97	128	83	633
Robert A. Simmons, (P)	0	2	1	2	5
Francis A. Votano (SL)	1	4	2	1	8
Blanks	12	28	8	26	74

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Francis E. Kelly (D)	103	209	92	318	722
Frederick Ayer, Jr. (R)	362	145	150	116	773
Anthony Martin (SL)	0	4	3	4	11
Howard B. Rand (P)	0	2	0	1	3
Blanks	10	16	6	24	56

CONGRESSMAN — Fifth District

Edith Nourse Rogers (R)	420	249	198	289	1156
Clement Gregory McDonough (D)	48	113	51	159	371
Blanks	7	14	2	15	38

COUNCILLOR — Third District

Otis M. Whitney (R)	379	140	157	130	806
John A. Dolan (D)	75	193	77	295	640
Blanks	21	43	17	38	119

SENATOR — First Middlesex District

William C. Geary (D)	105	183	94	283	665
Paul R. Achin (R)	356	174	151	161	842
Blanks	14	19	6	19	58

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT—

Eleventh Middlesex District

Edward J. DeSaulnier (R)	377	192	190	183	942
Fletcher S. Hyde (D)	78	146	52	242	518
John Regan	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	20	37	9	38	104

DISTRICT ATTORNEY — Northern District

George E. Thompson (R)	368	141	163	120	792
John F. Kelley (D)	89	202	74	308	673
Blanks	18	33	14	35	100

COUNTY COMMISSIONER — Middlesex County

Melvin G. Rogers (R)	376	156	161	115	803
Thomas B. Brennan (D)	77	182	75	303	637
Blanks	22	38	15	45	120

SHERIFF — Middlesex County

Howard W. Fitzpatrick (D)	106	228	91	335	760
A. Warren Stearns (R)	351	121	148	95	715
Blanks	18	27	12	33	90

QUESTION NO. 1

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TERM AND SUCCESSION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS

Yes	311	167	161	165	804
No	69	38	29	48	184
Blanks	95	171	61	250	577

QUESTION NO. 2

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NUMBER OF SIGNATURES ON INITIATIVE OR REFERENDUM PETITION, ETC.

Yes	270	145	139	168	722
No	102	60	46	46	254
Blanks	103	171	66	249	589

QUESTION NO. 3

PAYMENTS TO BLIND AND AGED PERSONS

Yes	157	159	129	201	646
No	259	106	89	83	551
Blanks	59	111	33	179	382

QUESTION NO. 4 — STATE LOTTERY

Yes	105	98	84	128	415
No	318	158	132	158	766
Blanks	52	120	35	177	384

QUESTION NO. 5

RATES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES LIABILITY POLICIES

Yes	37	18	14	19	88
No	410	310	211	374	1305
Blanks	28	48	26	70	172

QUESTION NO. 6

A. HORSE RACES

Yes	173	194	98	235	700
No	249	94	111	95	549
Blanks	53	88	42	133	316

B. DOG RACES

Yes	126	142	85	174	527
No	284	115	118	120	637
Blanks	65	119	48	169	401

QUESTION NO. 7

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages?)

Yes	234	248	157	311	950
No	193	64	66	54	377
Blanks	48	64	28	98	238

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages?)

Yes	235	241	154	293	923
No	183	51	60	46	340
Blanks	57	84	37	124	302

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

Yes	249	236	157	292	934
No	171	53	58	45	327
Blanks	55	87	36	126	304

QUESTION NO. 8

RENTAL HOUSING — CONTINUANCE OF FEDERAL RENT CONTROL

Yes	184	140	104	181	609
No	180	70	68	68	386
Blanks	111	166	79	214	570

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

February 15, 1951

The Board of Selectmen organized in the beginning of the year with Dr. Cyril A. Blaney, Chairman; Edward F. Harrington, Secretary; and Thomas W. Gower the third member.

The Annual Audit was made on October 5, 1950 by the Director of Accounts and a copy is printed herein.

Ten new street lights were installed and more are yet to be installed. The Lowell Electric Light Corporation has been asked to take care of the installation as soon as possible.

The streets were marked and new signs were installed at the intersections of the streets.

The exterior of the Town Hall was painted during the fall.

Work on the Town Farm Road was completed this year. An added part of Groton Road and North Street was completed. Additional appropriations are needed for its completion under the supervision of the State Highway Department and our own Superintendent of Streets.

Spraying of trees for gypsy and brown-tail moth was done very satisfactorily by the Tree Warden.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRIL A. BLANEY
EDWARD F. HARRINGTON
THOMAS W. GOWER

Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

The following is my report for the year ending Dec. 3, 1950.

CHAPTER 81 AND GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

The usual Highway Maintenance work was carried out this year, which included the use of Gravel, Tar, Asphalt, Sand, Peastone and Bituminous Concrete Patch on our roads and streets that come under Chapter 81.

We also widened several roads and were able to take care of the work mostly with Town owned equipment.

The Town has one truck which is four years old and is now starting to give trouble. It should be replaced this year.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

The usual maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways was carried out again this year under the provisions of the contract.

Sections of Groton and Tyngsboro roads were resurfaced with asphalt and pea stone. Our Chapter 90 roads are in fair condition.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

The Chapter 90 Construction work on North Street was started in July. Brush and Trees have been cut down, walls and ledge removed and the culverts and catch basins have been installed. A side drain also was installed to take care of water that comes from the side hills. We hope to continue the work on this street this year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. AUSTIN HEALY, Supt.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.
Westford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1950 for the Police Department.

Report to the Department of Correction has been made.

Arrests made	32
Assault and battery	10
Abandoned autos	9
Auto violations	18
Auto accidents	32
Auto transfers	105
Auto registration	15
Auto licenses revoked	26
Appeals cases to Superior Court	7
Cases in Ayer Court	11
Collected for liquor licenses	\$2,772.00
Complaints against dogs	36
Complaints investigated cruelty to animals	9
Complaints on dead animals left on top of ground	11
Complaints on suspicious persons	29
Camps and houses broken into	11
Dogs killed by automobiles	18
Dogs shot	21
Duty at public gathering	108
Dances	49
Driving under the influence of liquor	6
Driving so as to endanger	9
Disturbance of the peace	14
Drunkenness	26
Driving without a license	8
Fruit thieves	4
Family disturbances	89
Fires attended	14
Funerals attended	29
Idle and disorderly	8
Investigations made	648
Jurors	6
In lockup at town farm	12
Breaking and entering in the night	6
Men taken to jail	5

Leaving scene after injury to property	2
Larceny complaints	38
Notices posted	56
Non-support	5
Public nuisances in beer places	36
Pedestrians struck by automobiles	1
Petty complaints	464
Summonses and notices served	72
Electric wires down on street	16
Inspection of camps when roads are open	
Malicious injury to property	29
Patients taken to Gardner State hospital	8
Lay watch in different places	9
Fatal Accidents	2

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Officer Connell and the other Special Officers of the town of Westford for their advice, cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SULLIVAN,
Chief of Police.

JURY LIST 1951

Name	Occupation	Address
Alling, Francis W.	Weaver	Forge Village Road
Andrews, Albert F.	Chauffeur	Brookside Road
Barretto, Dennis	Monument Business	Groton Road
Blowey, Reginald	Secondhand	23 Pleasant Street
Butko, George W.	Police Officer	Off Coolidge Street
Cantara, Raymond	Wool Sorter	1 Story Street
Carpentier, Clifford G.	Core Maker	River Street
Chaplin, Carl A.	Salesman	Leland Street
Colarusso, Umberto P.	Salesman	Brookside Road
Connell, Robert	Clerk	5 Prescott Street
Connolly, John E.	Wool Sorter	Main Street, G.
Cote, Roland J.	Millhand	Broadway Street
Courchaine, Joseph R.	Millhand	3 Orchard Street
Daly, Vincent	Chemical Worker	1 Pond Street
Decato, Herbert C.	Restaurant Owner	Lowell Road
Elliott, Mathew A.	Steam Fitter	Patton Road
Fitzpatrick, Frederick J.	Millhand	7 Palermo Street
Forty, Albert H.	Millhand	Main Street, G.
Gelinas, Wilfred	Millhand	Main Street, G.
Gower, George D.	Machinist	Broadway Street
Hadley, Emerson E.	Sales Manager	Oak Hill Road
Healy, James L.	Funeral Dir. Apprent.	Second Street
Jewett, Ellsworth J.	Teamster	Main Street G.
Kane, Lawrence	Wool Sorter	11 Pleasant Street
Lord, Philip	Millhand	26 Pleasant Street
MacMillan, William C.	Carpenter	4 Beacon Street
McKniff, Thomas J.	Wool Sorter	12 Palermo Street
Miller, F. Everett	Bus Driver	Main Street
Mossdrop, Michael	Millhand	2 Pershing Street
O'Connell, John J.	Assembler	Main Street
Paduano, Frank	Bartender	Groton Road
Palmer, Warren R.	Garage Owner	Main Street G.
Poulin, Ernest L.	Research Operator	Oak Hill Road
Regan, John E.	Millhand	River Street
Reynolds, Maxwell W.	Farmer	Main Street
Scott, David C.	Carpenter	Forge Village Road
Soubosky, Robert L.	Millhand	Broadway Street
St. Onge, Edward J.	Machinist	Maple Street
Wark, Alfred T.	Machinist	Old Lowell Road
Wyman, William W.	Carpenter	Groton Road

CYRIL A. BLANEY

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

THOMAS W. GOWER

Selectmen of Westford

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of the Town of Westford:

I herewith present the annual report of the Town Accountant in accordance with the General Laws.

All are reminded by the Accountant that all books are open to the public for inspection at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA FLETCHER,
Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

Current year:

Poll	\$ 2,272.00
Personal	19,785.61
Real Estate	152,723.30
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	\$174,780.91

Previous Years:

Poll	\$ 36.00
Personal	686.67
Real Estate	9,576.45
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	\$ 10,299.12

Tax Title Redemptions	358.36
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Licenses and Permits:

Liquor	\$ 3,225.00
Common Victualler	12.00
Taxi	1.00
One-Day Beer license	16.00
Pistol	8.00
Movie	24.00
Camp permit	2.50
Milk permit	14.00
Junk	5.00
Peddler	35.00

Music	9.00	
Amusement	66.00	
Sunday	26.00	
Gasoline	32.00	
Fruit	2.00	
Fuel Oil	2.00	
Used-car	5.00	
Second-hand parts	5.00	
Auctioneer	5.00	
Ice Cream permits	15.00	
Oleo permits	3.50	
Advertising expense	93.54	
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		\$ 3,606.54

Payroll Deductions:

Withholding Tax	\$ 13,251.32	
Retirement System	2,585.16	
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		\$ 15,836.48

From State:

Corporation Taxes	\$ 33,216.32	
Income Taxes	43,702.71	
Old Age Meal Tax	939.49	
Tuition and transportation, schools	10,654.54	
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		\$ 88,513.06

Dog Taxes:

From County	\$ 921.58	
From Town	964.00	
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		\$ 1,885.58

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax:

Current Year	\$ 22,508.83	
Previous Years	1,093.70	
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		\$ 23,602.53

Gifts from Individuals:

Ellen Drew Estate	\$ 582.19	
Hyams Fund	300.00	
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		\$ 882.19

Grants from Federal Government:

Old Age Assistance	\$ 21,913.26
Aid to Dependent Children	4,114.28
Old Age Assistance, administration	902.65
Aid to Dependent Children, administration	139.03

\$ 27,069.22

Court Fines \$ 55.00

Departmental Revenue:

General Government:

Tax Collector, charges and fees	\$ 40.30
Town Hall, rent	252.50
Tailings account	1.84

\$ 294.64

Health Department:

State, subsidy for town 202.86

Sealer of Weights and Measures 76.06

Highway Department:

Chapter 81 Roads	\$ 20,067.88
Chapter 90 Roads	7,999.11
Machinery Fund	4,849.25
Work for Individuals	531.38

\$ 33,447.62

Veterans' Benefits 1,635.96

Welfare Department:

Infirmary, town	\$ 9,090.07
Infirmary, other towns	2,374.32
Temporary Aid	3,355.98
Aid to Dependent Children	3,091.81
Old Age Assistance:	
State	17,207.27
Other towns	129.95

\$ 35,249.40

School Department:

Vending machine	\$ 8.85
Lost books	3.51
Tuition, out-of-town students	614.84

\$ 627.20

Library, fines and sales	\$	73.62
Cemeteries:		
Sale of lots	\$	130.00
Care of lots		524.00
Digging graves		700.00
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	\$	1,354.00
Interest:		
Deposits in Savings Banks	\$	584.21
Deferred taxes		390.85
Metcalf Monument Fund		32.50
Sale of lots		10.35
Tax Titles		42.58
Perpetual Care, cemeteries		786.25
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	\$	1,846.74
Interest Withdrawals:		
Whitney Playground	\$	375.00
Perpetual Care		10.00
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	\$	385.00
Cemetery Trust Funds:		
Perpetual Care	\$	1,200.00
Lyman Wilkens Fund		35.00
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	\$	1,235.00
Sale of Land	\$	150.00
School Activities Fund:		
Athletic Fund	\$	397.84
School Milk Fund		523.82
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	\$	921.66
Refunds, departmental	\$	681.92
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Total Receipts	\$	425,070.67
Balance on hand, January 1, 1950		125,844.35
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		<u>\$550,915.02</u>

EXPENDITURES

General Government:

Selectmen:

Salaries	\$ 845.00
Dues	31.00
Advertisements	41.26
Printing and stationery	70.22

\$ 987.48

Town Accountant:

Salary	\$ 1,100.00
Dues	4.00
Printing and stationery	33.44
Binding ledger	22.25
Advertisement	3.75

\$ 1,163.44

Town Treasurer:

Salary	\$ 1,880.00
Surety bond and insurance	172.00
Check Signer	160.00
Printing and postage	16.00
Dues	2.00

\$ 2,230.00

Tax Collector:

Salary	\$ 1,600.00
Printed Envelopes	175.20
Printing and stationery	108.18
Dues	2.00
Surety bond and insurance	298.33
Prepare Tax Takings	40.00
Advertisements	63.75

\$ 2,287.46

Assessors:

Wages, Assessors	\$ 1,496.60
Wages, clerk	267.50
Printing and postage	229.64
Dues	6.00

\$ 1,999.74

Maps and Survey 500.00

Town Clerk:

Salary	\$ 400.00
Recording fees	200.00
Stationery and postage	113.88
Oaths to town officials	12.75
Surety bond	7.50
Dues	5.00
Express charges	4.25

\$ 743.38

Tax Title Expense	\$ 461.50
Finance Committee	10.00
License Expense	90.64
Town Counsel	300.00

Registration and Election:

Wages, Registrars' Meetings	\$ 225.00
Wages, Election Officers	470.00
Listings	857.60
Checkers at Town Meeting	14.00
Stationery and printing	88.97
Advertisements	74.38
Rent of Halls	105.00
Ballots	64.20
Prepare Material for Election	120.00
Check Lists	293.36

\$ 2,312.51

Town Hall:

Salary, janitor	\$ 1,681.00
Lights	219.28
Fuel	817.50
Telephone	282.90
Water	18.00
Janitor's supplies	125.85
Repairs to Town Hall	142.40
Kitchen supplies	51.30
Post Office box rent	2.25

\$ 3,340.48

Refinishing Town Hall	\$ 800.00
Painting Exterior of Town Hall	980.00
Town Hall Heating System	2,400.00

\$ 20,606.53

Protection of Persons and Property:

Insurance:

Compensation	\$ 1,764.75
Fire	2,308.47
Boiler	540.60

\$ 4,613.82

Police Department:

Salaries	\$ 6,396.00
Special Officers	616.10
Assistant's Auto Expense	900.00
Repairs to Equipment	210.88
Police Supplies	38.46
Gasoline and oil	389.58
Telephone and radio service	329.70
Garage Rent	48.00
Generators	223.20
Insurance	121.07
Tires	82.60
Police Association Dues	10.00

\$ 9,365.59

New Police Uniforms \$ 223.40

Street Marking:

Wages	\$ 429.00
Paint	70.94

\$ 499.94

Fire Department:

Salaries	\$ 2,451.95
Insurance	1,286.28
Portable Lights	120.00
Firemen's Boots and Badges	148.50
Gasoline	247.19
Fuel	679.97
Lights	175.82
Repairs to Equipment	143.38
Repairs to Buildings	429.64
New Ladders	962.76
Tires and Tubes	570.01
Batteries	70.50
Telephone	235.05
Supplies for Fire Department	254.37
Dues	7.00
Hired Truck	67.20
Water	26.44

\$ 7,876.06

New Fire Hose	640.00
Salary, Permanent Man	500.00
Repairs to Fire Cottage	400.00
Fire Hydrants	4,533.75

Forest Fires:

Labor, Wages	\$ 1,327.55
Repairs to Equipment	64.30
Equipment	229.75
Dues	1.00

\$ 1,622.60

New Forestry Hose	392.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00

Tree Warden:

Wages	\$ 730.75
Gasoline and oil	37.75
Repairs	8.27

\$ 776.77

Plant New Tree on Town Common	40.00
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Moth Department:

Wages	\$ 593.10
Insurance on Truck	53.40
Garage Rent	36.00
Equipment	173.96
Insecticide	169.60
Gasoline and oil	53.95

\$ 1,080.01

\$ 32,688.94

Health Department:

Administration	\$ 236.99
Tuberculosis, board and treatment	1,018.50
Nurse, salary	2,300.00
Auto:	
Upkeep	348.22
Insurance	57.33
Dump	300.10
Dairy Inspector	50.00
Other Inspections	30.00
Clinics	289.35

\$ 4,630.49

Animal Inspector	200.00
New Car—Health Department	657.90
Middlesex County T. B. Hospital...	2,331.81
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,526.00

\$ 9,346.20

Highway Department:

Street Lights	\$ 7,436.61
Snow and Ice Removal:	
Wages	\$ 5,644.50
Hired Trucks	870.00
Salt	1,611.72
Sand	1,546.43
Gasoline	810.75
Equipment and Repairs	1,028.10
Blades	624.30

\$ 12,135.80

Town Roads Account:

Wages	\$ 1,505.15
Seed and fertilizer	70.80
Stone	178.02
Asphalt	105.54
Signs	50.40
Blasting material	40.40
Bound posts	131.75
Cement	28.75
Culvert Blocks	79.46
Lumber and nails	93.07
Waterproof paper	24.85

\$ 2,308.19

Chapter 81 Roads:

Wages	\$22,414.75
Loam	192.00
Sand	1,048.35
Stone	1,878.51
Asphalt	5,833.74
Culvert Pipe and Blocks	831.43
Cable Posts	200.50

\$ 32,399.28

Sidewalk Repairs:

Wages	\$ 175.15	
Asphalt	324.85	
		\$ 500.00

Highway Road Machinery Account:

Tires and tubes	\$ 724.86	
Garage rent	736.00	
Equipment and repairs	2,134.32	
Insurance	557.59	
Gasoline	1,233.82	
Grease and oil	183.98	
		\$ 5,570.57

Chapter 90 Maintenance:

Wages	\$ 1,121.90	
Stone	1,141.42	
Asphalt	736.32	
		\$ 2,999.64

Town Farm Road Reconstruction:

Wages	\$ 1,663.85	
Sand	71.37	
Asphalt	364.69	
		\$ 2,099.91

North Street Reconstruction:

Wages	\$ 4,863.68	
Sand and gravel	635.22	
Culvert pipes	1,902.78	
Asphalt	597.46	
		\$ 7,999.14

New Road Signs:

Wages	\$ 202.60	
Lumber	66.15	
Paint	14.40	
		\$ 283.15

New Plow for Grader	\$	410.00
New Centrifugal Pump		139.87
New Fence at Nabnasset		354.50
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	\$	74,636.66

Welfare Department: (see reports)

Temporary Aid	\$	10,374.93
Infirmary		12,554.11
New Stove—Infirmary		329.50
New Truck—Infirmary		2,222.70
Repairs to Infirmary Barn		404.57
Old Age Assistance		47,090.77
Aid to Dependent Children		8,720.75
Old Age Assistance, administration		894.00
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	\$	82,591.33
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	\$	82,591.33

Veterans' Benefits:

Administration	\$	580.00
Director of Veterans' Services		100.00
Stationery and photo supplies		22.51
Dues		5.00
Cash grants to individuals		1,983.21
Fuel		173.36
Groceries		1,016.59
Medical care and hospitalization		565.94
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	\$	4,446.61
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	\$	4,446.61

School Department (see report)		\$132,820.25
New Urinals for Cameron School		832.00
Vocational Tuition		1,704.58
School Planning Board		243.65
School Activities Fund:		
Athletic Fund	\$	64.45
School Lunch Program		318.22
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	\$	382.67

Library (see report) \$ 4,327.43

Cemeteries:

Administration	\$ 200.00
Wages	2,174.59
Repair Cemetery Roads	309.97
Fertilizer	356.04
Repairs and equipment	286.73
Loam	33.00
Safe Deposit Box	12.00
New Lawn Mowers	82.50

\$ 3,454.83

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Cemetery Trust Funds:

Perpetual Care	\$ 1,986.25
Wilkins Fund	35.00

\$ 2,021.25

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Unclassified:

Unpaid Bills of Previous Years	\$ 3,276.57
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Town Common:

Meter Service	\$ 12.00
Repairs to Flagpole	135.00
Labor	225.00
Repairs and Equipment	27.05

\$ 399.05

Whitney Playground:

Wages	\$ 535.19
Repairs and Equipment	103.09
Fertilizer	50.25
Paint Flagpole	28.00
Water	13.00

\$ 729.53

Metcalf Monument Fund	\$ 32.50	
Retirement System Fund	2,313.00	
Plaques for Veterans' Graves	54.49	
Band Concerts	400.00	
Memorial Day	276.40	
Printing Town Reports	1,046.50	
Quarters for Nabnasset Legion	300.00	
Janitor Service—Nabnasset Legion	45.00	
Civilian Defense	14.25	
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		\$ 8,887.29
Payroll Deductions:		
Withholding Tax	\$ 13,251.32	
County Retirement System	2,585.16	
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		\$ 15,836.48
Payments to State:		
State parks and reservations.....	\$ 524.75	
Audit of municipal accounts	664.19	
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		\$ 1,188.94
Payments to County:		
County Tax	\$ 9,349.21	
Dog Taxes	1,011.00	
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		\$ 10,360.21
Refunds, Departmental and Taxes	587.89	
Total Expenditures		<hr/>
		\$406,963.84
Balance on hand, December 31, 1950		<hr/>
		143,951.18
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		\$550,915.02
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TOWN OF WESTFORD — BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1950

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash:	
In Bank and Office	\$143,951.18
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes:	
Levy of 1949:	
Real Estate	\$ 1,544.71
Levy of 1950:	
Poll	24.00
Personal	757.55
Real Estate	10,415.61
	\$ 12,741.87
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:	
Levy of 1950	\$ 2,426.93
	\$ 2,426.93
Tax Titles	1,334.28
Tax Possessions	1,495.66
	\$ 2,829.94
Departmental:	
Temporary Aid	\$ 321.93
Aid to Dependent Children	939.16
Old Age Assistance	.83
Schools	146.92
Highways	51.00
Cemetery	165.00
	\$ 1,624.84

Liabilities and Reserves

Dog Licenses—Due County	\$ 43.80
Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	525.16
Sale of Real Estate	1,010.00
Old Age Assistance Recovery	160.00
Road Machinery Fund	4,568.75
Tailings	134.41
Unexpended Federal Grants:	
Old Age Assistance—Aid	\$ 1,161.16
Old Age Assistance—Administration	40.36
Aid to Dependent Children—Aid	3,399.79
Aid to Dependent Children—Administration	185.89
	\$ 4,787.20
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	2,426.93
Tax Titles and Tax Possessions	2,829.94
Departmental	1,624.84
State and County Aid to Highways	5,467.85
	\$ 12,349.56
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:	
Levy of 1949	\$ 1,985.92
Levy of 1950	2,869.24
	\$ 4,855.16

State Aid to Highways:			Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus ----	\$ 6,338.04
Chapter 81 -----	\$ 4,067.85			
Chapter 90 -----	700.00		Unexpended Appropriation Balances	1,736.52
County Aid to Highways -----	700.00	\$ 5,467.85	School Activities Funds:	
			Athletic Fund -----	333.39
Underestimate:			School Milk Program -----	205.00
County Tuberculosis Hospital				\$ 538.99
Assessment 1950 -----	\$ 520.88		Celebrating Veterans' Fund -----	\$ 1,000.00
State Parks and Reservations			Overestimate: County Tax 1950 ----	2,112.50
1950 -----	128.12	\$ 649.00	Surplus Reserve -----	129,531.52
				<u>\$169,691.61</u>
				<u><u>\$169,691.61</u></u>

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:		
Principal	\$ 63,204.19	
Income	11,911.07	
Whitney Shade Tree Fund		\$ 2,500.00
Library Trust Funds		13,706.08
Emily Fletcher Library Lecture Fund		2,000.00
Whitney Playground Fund		10,000.00
Metcalf Monument Fund		1,300.00
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery Fund		1,413.11
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		32,285.00
		\$ 63,204.19
Whitney Shade Tree Fund Income	\$	429.78
Library Trust Funds Income		969.80
Emily Fletcher Library Lecture Fund Income		424.15
Whitney Playground Fund Income		124.52
Metcalf Monument Fund Income		645.94
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery Fund Income		340.02
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund Income		
		8,976.86
		\$ 11,911.07
		\$ 75,115.26

State Audit
TOWN OF WESTFORD
 Balance Sheet — October 5, 1950
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash:	
In banks and office	\$ 66,726.86
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes:	
Levy of 1949:	
Personal Property	\$ 27.11
Real Estate	2,484.17
Levy of 1950:	
Poll	78.00
Personal Property	18,452.68
Real Estate	103,779.98
	\$124,821.94
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:	
Levy of 1949	\$ 9.58
Levy of 1950	575.03
	\$ 584.61
Tax Titles	\$ 1,133.03
Tax Possessions	1,495.66
	\$ 2,628.69

Liabilities and Reserves

Payroll Deductions:	
Federal Taxes	\$ 59.55
Retirement System	41.51
	\$ 101.06
Dog Licenses—Due County	518.40
State Assessments 1950	1,060.82
County Tax 1950	11,461.71
Old Age Assistance Recovery	160.00
Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	469.64
Sale of Real Estate	1,010.00
Road Machinery Fund	4,232.75
Trust Fund Income:	
Whitney Shade Tree Fund	\$ 28.11
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	8.75
	\$ 36.86
Tailings	134.41
Unexpended Federal Grants:	
Aid to Dependent Children—Aid	\$ 1,580.73

Departmental:

Highways	\$	78.00
Temporary Aid		2,932.78
Old Age Assistance		1,519.13
Infirmary		583.93
Schools		100.72
Veterans' Services		380.57
Cemetery	\$	195.00
	\$	5,790.13

State Aid to Highways:

Chapter 81	\$ 11,435.31
Chapter 90	5,700.00

County Aid to Highways

3,700.00 \$ 20,835.31

Estimated Receipts to be Collected

\$ 35,591.17

Underestimate:

County Tuberculosis Hospital
Assessment 1950

Aid to Dependent Children—

Administration	\$ 151.54
Old Age Assistance—Aid	4,523.61
Old Age Assistance—	
Administration	138.48 \$ 6,394.36

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus

6,338.04

Appropriation Balances

96,535.17

Overlay Reserved for Abatements:

Levy of 1949	\$ 2,000.62
Levy of 1950	3,073.79
	\$ 5,074.41

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise \$	584.61
Tax Titles and Tax Possessions	2,628.69
Departmental	5,790.13
State and County Aid to Highways	20,835.31
	\$ 29,838.74

Surplus Revenue

94.133.22

\$257,499.59

TRUST FUNDS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:

Principal \$ 63,104.19

Whitney Shade Tree Fund	\$ 2,500.00
Library Trust Funds	13,706.08
Emily Fletcher Library Lecture Fund	2,000.00
Whitney Playground Fund	10,000.00
Metcalf Monument Fund	1,300.00
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery Fund	1,413.11
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds.....	32,185.00
Whitney Shade Tree Fund Income \$	400.78
Library Trust Funds Income.....	948.32
Emily Fletcher Library Lecture Fund Income	424.15
Whitney Playground Fund Income	221.58
Metcalf Monument Fund Income ---	623.51
Lyman E. Wilkins Cemetery Fund Income	335.77
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund Income	8,655.26
	\$ 11,609.37

Income 11,609.37

\$ 74,713.56

\$ 74,713.56

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The Board of Fire Engineers submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1950:

The three Companies responded to 53 alarms other than Forest Fires, namely: 8 houses, 10 chimneys, 3 camps, 5 automobiles, 5 dump, 1 shed, 1 garage, 1 motorcycle, 1 tractor, 1 old tire, 3 out of town, 1 flooded oil burner, 1 brooder house, 5 still alarms, 2 false alarms. The Fire Dept. assisted in the following rescue work: 1 lost child, 1 drowning, 2 dogs, 1 horse. In addition to the above, 46 alarms for brush fires were responded to.

For another year Mr. Robert Spinner and Mr. George St. Onge with the help of several other firemen deserve a lot of credit for the free time they gave in answering 88 ambulance calls.

The kitchen of the Fire House Cottage was modernized which makes it a lot more convenient.

Due to the present conditions prevailing we feel it advisable to purchase extra hose this coming year. This would insure that the town would be supplied with first quality hose and not the inferior quality which is expected to be on the market.

Only routine maintenance and repairs were required again this year and the apparatus and equipment is in good shape.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND D. ROGERS

HAROLD E. WRIGHT

RICHARD W. HALL

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Balance on hand January 1, 1950	\$125,844.35
Total Receipts to December 31, 1950	425,070.67
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	\$550,915.02
Balance on hand December 31, 1950	\$143,951.18
Total payments to December 31, 1950	406,963.84
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	\$550,915.02

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLOTTE P. GREIG, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

In spite of a record dry year, all fires were confined to small areas. 1000' of forestry hose was purchased for \$360.00. The price was kept low by using couplings from old forestry hose.

I am asking \$1500.00 for the usual expenses of the Department, and \$3000.00 to purchase a chassis to replace the present chassis on the Forestry truck, which is over twenty years old, and make necessary changes to the body, tank and pump.

It might be well at this time to remind the Taxpayers that the cost of all fires in the open such as grass, brush, forest, trash barrels and dump fires are paid for out of the Forest Fire Appropriation. Fires at the Town Dump used one-sixth of the Forestry appropriation in 1950.

Respectfully yours,

LEO R. LARKIN,

Forest Warden

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

The Moth Department sprayed all trees in town once, with Resatox D 25. And as far as possible the elms were sprayed twice. There have been no cases of Dutch elm in Westford as yet.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. FITZPATRICK

Moth Superintendent.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

The Tree Department used all \$600 of the appropriation plus an additional \$200 to take care of storm damage which occurred Nov. 25, 1950. The department trimmed lightly in Forge Village, Graniteville and Nabnassett. Removed 18 dead or dangerous trees and planted 21 sugar maples, of which two did not take.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. FITZPATRICK

Tree Warden.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

As Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Westford, I submit my report for the year 1950.

Number of Platform Scales over 5,000 lbs.	3
Number of Platform Scales 100 lbs. or over	26
Number of Platform Scales under 100 lbs.	33
Number of Weights	20
Number of Liquid Measures	4
Number of Meters on Gasoline Pumps	19
Number of Kerosene Pumps	2
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Total	107

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT A. HILDRETH,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1950

Value of Buildings, January 1, 1950	\$2,925,435.00
Value of Land, January 1, 1950	838,100.00
Value of Personal Property, January 1, 1950	466,540.00
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Total Valuation	\$4,230,075.00

APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1950

Annual Town Meeting, March 11, 1950	\$ 312,606.75
State Taxes	1,228.96
County Taxes	14,260.86
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,526.00
1950 Overlay Fund	5,237.11
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Total Amount to be Raised	\$ 384,534.68
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$ 146,170.25
Total Amount to be Raised on Polls and Property	188,449.30
Total Excise Commitments	27,046.47
Tax Rate \$44.00 per Thousand.	

Number of Polls	1,163
Number of Horses	34
Number of Cows	308
Number of Neat Cattle	81
Number of Swine	212
Number of Sheep and Goats	26
Number of Fowl	41,541
All Others	124
Number of Acres of Land	18,000
Number of Dwellings	1,291

ABATEMENTS

	Polls	Property	Excise
1948		\$ 13.62	
1949		85.05	\$ 112.97
1950	\$ 78.00	2,276.67	2,268.84

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL J. ROLLINS
JOHN J. O'CONNELL
NORMAN K. NESMITH
Assessors of Westford

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my report as Tax Collector for the Town of Westford for the year ending December 31, 1950.

Any questions in regard to the assessment of taxes should be presented to the Board of Assessors.

Warrants Dated	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1949	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1950
May 18, 1948 Real Estate	\$ 1,148.55	none
April 1, 1949 Poll	26.00	none
Dec. 9, 1949 Poll	10.00	none
May 27, 1949 Real Estate	10,065.33	\$ 1,530.01
Dec. 9, 1949 Real Estate	299.25	14.70
May 27, 1949 Personal Property	680.37	none
Dec. 9, 1949 Personal Property	12.60	none
April 1, 1949 Excise	41.22	none
June 9, 1949 Excise	41.87	none
Aug. 29, 1949 Excise	90.12	none
Sept. 23, 1949 Excise	217.08	none
Nov. 15, 1949 Excise	319.53	none
Nov. 22, 1949 Excise	78.44	none
Dec. 6, 1949 Excise	80.16	none
Dec. 27, 1949 Excise	102.89	none
May 25, 1950 Real Estate	165,595.54	10,386.79
Dec. 16, 1950 Real Estate	33.22	28.82
May 25, 1950 Personal Property	20,527.76	724.33
Dec. 16, 1950 Personal Property	35.42	33.22
April 17, 1950 Poll	2,326.00	14.00
May 9, 1950 Poll	30.00	none
Dec. 16, 1950 Poll	14.00	10.00
April 11, 1950 Excise	4,821.33	none
April 18, 1950 Excise	966.48	none
June 15, 1950 Excise	5,790.23	60.40
July 6, 1950 Excise	1,493.45	57.96
Nov. 1, 1950 Excise	11,218.72	1,735.89

Nov. 14, 1950 Excise	544.41	185.07
Nov. 30, 1950 Excise	401.55	141.92
Dec. 6, 1950 Excise	216.72	107.43
Dec. 9, 1950 Excise	1,300.00	6.00
Dec. 16, 1950 Excise	116.33	86.30
Dec. 26, 1950 Excise	70.00	51.86
1950 Excise Dated Jan. 10, 1951	146.67	none
1950 Excise Dated Jan. 24, 1951	50.31	none
Total Warrants	<u>\$228,911.55</u>	

Outstanding Dec. 31, 1950	<u>\$ 15,174.70</u>
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DAVID I. OLSSON,
Tax Collector.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD BOARD OF HEALTH

The Westford Board of Health submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1950:

The Board of Health organized in March with Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Chairman, Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Secretary, and Ralph E. Cole, M.D., as the third member.

The Board of Health is still without a school dentist due to the fact that we have no available room in which to conduct a dental clinic. We do feel that a dental program is necessary for the health of the school child.

The usual vaccination and diphtheria clinics were held. These clinics have been held for the past 23 years as Westford was one of the first towns in the state to conduct diphtheria clinics.

The Well Child Conferences have been held under the auspices of the Board of Health with Dr. Sidney Cobb, Director of the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health and Dr. Stanton Garfield, Acting Director of the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, as attending physicians.

The milk situation has been well supervised by the Board of Health agents.

The Board of Health was one of the organizations sponsoring the Sodium Fluoride Treatments given to the second grade children in the Westford schools by Miss Barbara Desmond, Dental Hygienist, with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

The Board of Health has functioned well during the year receiving the fullest cooperation of its members. The work and cooperation of the Public Health Nurse was highly commendable as shown by her report to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRIL A. BLANEY, M. D.

RALPH E. COLE, M. D.

DWIGHT W. COWLES, M. D.

Westford Board of Health

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Chairman
Westford Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the public Health nurse from January 1, to December 31, 1950:

Children taken home from school because of illness	17
Children taken to school physician	24
Nursing Visits:	
Acute Communicable	62
Tuberculosis:	
Case	221
Suspect	6
Contact	26
Crippled Children	32
Other	67
Health Supervision Visits:	
Under 1 month	3
1-12 months	55
1 year—school	172
School	322
Adult	8
To Crippled Children's Clinic at St. John's Hospital	5
To Treatment Center at Nashoba Building (Crippled Children)	3
To Chest Clinic at Nashoba Building, Ayer	2
To Eye Clinic at St. John's Hospital	10
To Physicians' Optical Co.	2
To St. John's Hospital for treatment	47
To Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinic at St. John's Hospital	1
To St. John's Hospital for T. & A.	1
To St. Joseph's Hospital for T. & A.	1
To Heart Association Office	3
To Heart Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	3
To Pediatric Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	3
To Orthopedic Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	2
To Tumor Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	1
To Lowell General Hospital for T. & A.	1
To Lowell General Hospital to be admitted	1
To Child Guidance Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	45
To North Reading Rheumatic Fever Clinic	2
To Dr. Record's Orthopedic Clinic, Mass. General Hospital	1
To Dentist (state ward)	6

To Chiropodist (state ward)	4
To Middlesex County Sanatorium to be admitted	2
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for X-ray	26
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for treatment	12
Conferences and Meetings attended	17
Well child conferences conducted by Dr. Sidney Cobb and Dr. Stanton Garfield	12
133 visits made by 74 children.	

Diphtheria Immunization Clinics conducted by Board of Health:

Number of children receiving complete immunization	18
Number of children receiving Booster doses	275
Number receiving complete immunization with triple vaccine	6
Number receiving Booster doses of triple vaccine	2

Vaccination Clinic conducted by Board of Health:

Number of children vaccinated	37
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Dangerous Diseases Reported to Board of Health:

Chicken Pox	2	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1
Diphtheria	1	Whooping Cough	34
German Measles	1	Dog Bite	11
Measles	5	Septic Sore Throat	2
Mumps	2	Meningitis	1
Scarlet Fever	4		

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. HEALY, R. N.

EXPENDITURES HEALTH DEPARTMENT, 1950

Administration:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 186.00
All other	50.99
Tuberculosis, Board and Treatment	1,018.50
Nurse, Salary	2,300.00

Auto:

Upkeep	348.22
Insurance	57.33

Dump	300.10
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Dairy Inspector	50.00
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Other Inspections	30.00
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Clinics	289.35
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	\$4,630.49
Balance	39.51

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Animal Inspector	\$ 200.00
New Car	658.90
Tuberculosis Hospital	2,331.81
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,526.00

RECEIPTS OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT—1950

Milk Dealers' Permits	\$13.00
Oleomargarine Permits	4.00
Permits to Manufacture Ice Cream	15.00
Camp Licenses	3.00
	\$35.00

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Chairman
Westford Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the Inspector of Animals from January 1, to December 31, 1950:

12 dog bites	24 visits
Inspecting barns	59 barns
No. of cows 2 years and older	335
Heifers 1-2 years	75
Heifers 1 year	45
Bulls	9
Steers	5
Horses	33
Pigs	698
Sheep	44
Goats	25
Inspecting cattle shipped out of state	14
Sent reports to state	39

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. BLODGETT
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The average monthly case load on Temporary Aid was 9 cases per month, Old Age Assistance 66 cases, and Aid to Dependent Children 6 cases. There were still two settled cases at the Tewksbury State Hospital, and no children were aided through the Division of Child Guardianship this year.

At the Westford Infirmary there were 11 inmates in 1950. Four of these had out of town settlements, two have paid their own board, and five have local settlements. The rate of board charged is \$12.00 per week.

Beginning in October the Old Age Survivor's Insurance program was amended in which all persons currently in receipt of Old Age Survivor's benefits were increased and others were made eligible that did not previously qualify. As these benefits are deducted as income from Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children budgets, all cases receiving these payments were adjusted and for the remaining three months of the year there was a considerable reduction in these categories.

Another amendment to the Social Security Act provides for Federal matching to a needy parent with whom any child receiving Aid to Dependent Children lives. Before this only the dependent child participated in federal reimbursement. Thus we will now receive a larger federal grant on Aid to Dependent Children cases.

Throughout the year many repairs were made at the Infirmary. These were necessary due to storm damage and general breakdown of the property. Mr. Rooks, the superintendent made most of these repairs himself without outside assistance. The milk room was rebuilt, the roof on house and barn patched after hailstorm damage, and a new roof was required for the hog house and brooder house. Window panes throughout the house and barn were replaced. The cow barn was repaired when a special appropriation was granted for this purpose. This property is still badly in need of more repairs and household equipment, and a downstairs lavatory is necessary.

A new Chevrolet truck was purchased last year and this has proved to be a big help in the efficient operation of the Infirmary.

INFIRMARY CREDITS

Milk	\$ 5,569.50
Eggs	756.16
Asparagus	100.02
Potatoes	35.94
Corn	103.95
Calves	65.00

Poultry	172.00
Pigs	1,255.22
Telephone	41.95
Tel. Extension	4.63
Bags	205.95
Dividend	121.95
Tractor	184.80
Bull Service	6.00
Inmates Board (Private)	467.00
Inmates Board (Out of Town)	2,599.32

\$11,689.39

Wood	\$ 180.00
Inmates Board (Westford)	3,048.00
Meals in Lockup	13.50

\$ 3,241.50

INFIRMARY DEBITS

Salary—Superintendent	\$ 1,704.00
Salaries—Employees	783.50
Provisions	1,920.07
Clothing & Dry Goods	229.48
Tobacco	61.42
Medical	22.00
Glasses	12.00
Telephone	160.43
Food Locker	104.94
Oil and Coal	357.58
Gas & Electricity	231.72
Gasoline	524.89
Grain & Feed	4,756.05
Fertilizer & Seed	153.48
Veterinary	101.50
Blacksmith	14.00
Pasturing	30.00
Poultry	80.00
Grass Cutter	181.12
Rope	35.00
Sawdust & Shavings	113.22
Slaughtering	6.00
Use of Equipment	37.40
Repairs	261.74

Supplies	290.15
Water Bills	133.22
Milk Sampler Testing	32.25
Truck Insurance	75.93
Retirement System	60.00
Appraisers, 1949-1950	30.00
Miscellaneous	51.02
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	\$12,554.11

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL RICHARDS
 REGINALD BLOWEY
 WILLIAM L. WALL
 Board Public Welfare.

WESTFORD INFIRMARY APPRAISAL

December 16, 1950

STOCK AND FARM EQUIPMENT

1	Hay Loader	\$ 250.00
2	Manure	160.00
3	One Manure Spreader	50.00
4	Two One-horse Hay Rakes	60.00
5	One Sulky Plow	35.00
6	One Two-horse Disc Harrow	5.00
7	One Potato Digger	50.00
8	Two Wagons and Two Sleds	15.00
9	One Tip Cart	25.00
10	Lumber	300.00
11	One Drag (Steel Head)	8.00
12	One Lime Spreader	50.00
13	One Power Sprayer	10.00
14	One Two-horse Cornplanter	50.00
15	One Two-horse Cultivator	25.00
16	One Hay Tedder	40.00
17	One Tractor Harrow	65.00
18	One Spring Tooth Harrow	10.00
19	One Smoothing Harrow	3.00
20	One Seed Sower and Weeder	40.00
21	Two One-horse Cultivators	5.00
22	Two Walking Plows	10.00
23	One Two-horse Hoe	5.00
24	One Ford Tractor	700.00
25	One Tractor Plow	90.00
26	One Tractor Pulley	30.00
27	One Root Cutter	5.00
28	Blacksmith Tools	15.00
29	One Feed Cooker	5.00
30	One Saw Frame	25.00
31	One Gas Tank and Gas	50.00
32	One Two-horse Mowing Machine	50.00
33	Swine	1,036.25
34	Wood	80.00
35	335 Laying Hens	837.50
36	Milk Room and Milking Equipment	500.00
37	Fourteen Cows	2,550.00
38	One Bull	175.00
39	Four two-year old Heifers	575.00
40	One one-year old Heifer	75.00
41	One Bull Calf	45.00

42	Two Calves	40.00
43	Grain	84.00
44	Forty Ton Ensilage	375.00
45	125 Grain Bags	44.00
46	One Corn Harvester	65.00
47	One New Ensilage Cutter	175.00
48	One One-horse Corn Planter	15.00
49	Three Wheelbarrows	15.00
50	One Motor Truck	2,180.00
51	Harness and Blankets	100.00
52	Two Horses	75.00
53	One Hay Fork, Hoist and Motor	225.00
54	Twenty-nine Tons Hay	1,050.00
55	Fence Posts and Insulators	5.00
56	Grindstone, Motor, and Scythe Grinder	30.00
57	Chains, Whiffletrees, and Eveners	20.00
58	Farm Tools	60.00
59	Block and Tackle	10.00
60	Snow Plow	1.00
61	One Extension and Two-Step Ladders	25.00
62	One Planet Junior Seeder	8.00
63	Three Chicken Crates	5.00
64	Two Gas Stoves	5.00
65	Two Cross Cut Saws	8.00
66	Garden Hose and Lawn Mower	15.00
67	Carpenter's Tools	20.00
68	Fire Hose and Nozzle	56.00
69	One Electric Drill	35.00
70	Brooder Equipment	32.00
71	Soft Coal	246.92
72	Milk Separator	15.00
73	Platform Scales	20.00
74	75 Gallons Fuel Oil	14.00
75	50 Gallons Motor Oil	53.00
76	Fertilizer	55.50
77	Shavings and Sawdust	50.00
78	Three Dusters	35.00
79	One Electric Fence Unit	18.00
80	Wooden Tank	10.00
81	Land Roller, One-horse	5.00
82	Ten Steel Cow-stanchions	20.00
83	Twenty Gallons Asbestos Roof Coating	20.00
84	Twenty Gallons Molasses and Barrel	13.40
85	Old Truck	35.00
Total		\$13,503.57

HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT

1	Superintendent's Furniture	\$ 175.00
2	Kitchen and Pantry	475.00
3	Inmates' Furniture	380.00
4	Contents of Attic	50.00
5	Canned Goods and Empty Jars	269.00
6	Provisions	137.00
7	Potatoes and Vegetables	113.25
8	Blankets, Sheets and Towels	135.00
9	Dry Goods	45.00
Total		1,779.25
Grand Total		\$15,282.82

CHARLES A. BLODGETT

WALLACE N. YOUNG

RAYMOND S. WILSON

Appraisers.

REPORT OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE IN THE TOWN OF WESTFORD—1950

Much of the organized programs conducted by the Middlesex County Extension Service are planned on a county basis with these programs available to every town in the county. Organized projects such as mastitis or Green Pastures for dairymen; flock health for the poultrymen; clothing and food for the homemakers or the various 4-H Club programs for boys and girls, are brought to the individual farmers or homemakers in a general way through the County Bulletin, radio, newspaper publicity, meetings or through correspondence and farm and home visits. In addition to this general work of the Extension Service, work in each town is developed under the guidance of the town director and the local groups interested in agriculture, homemaking and Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club work.

The Extension Service worked with poultrymen on virtually every aspect of poultry farming during the year. With efficiency the watchword, attention was given to the Poultry Farm Account Program, through which poultrymen are assisted with their farm records. Several poultrymen were assisted with flock health problems. Through the quality Egg and Turkey Marketing Programs, poultrymen and turkey growers have been helped in improving their marketing facilities and practices. The county-wide Middlesex Turkey and Poultry Trade Show was held in Concord on October 11 and 12 with features both for producers and consumers.

Of interest to fruit growers one orchard twilight meeting was held within the town, and local growers participated in many of the meetings in other fruit towns. Because of the growing interest in small fruits created by the opportunity of the freezing plant in Nabnasset, meetings were held and assistance given to interested strawberry growers.

Judges were furnished for the local Grange Fair.

Increased milk production per cow, better roughage and a reduction of disease loss were the aims of the Extension dairy projects. The Dairy Herd Improvement Association and the recently organized Owner-Sampler Testing Association both are assisting farmers, through use of production records, to locate low producing cows. Local members include L. F. Bunker, George Tebbetts, Westford Infirmary and George Wilder. Breeding also is important in increasing production, and during 1950 the Selective Breeding Association has continued to grow and more farmers have made use of the proven sires available to members. The Green Pasture Program was used by the Extension Service to demonstrate the value of high quality roughage. Mastitis is one of the most

serious diseases of dairy cattle and causes much loss of milk production. Control of this disease by sanitation, testing and prompt treatment has been urged.

Many Westford homemakers were enrolled in the two clothing programs conducted during the year; dressmaking and "Short Cuts and Speed Tricks in Garment Finishes". The Christmas Gift Kit (collection of gifts that can be made at home) was presented at several local meetings.

One hundred and seventy-one boys and girls were enrolled for 4-H Club work. The various projects participated in were foods, canning, clothing, home furnishings, knitting, crafts, wood-working, poultry, and gardening. Westford citizens who volunteered their time in the assistance of 4-H Club work were: Mrs. Mina D. Socorelis, Mrs. Maurice Rooks, Mrs. Peter Perry, Mr. Peter Perry, Mrs. Frank Pearson, Mrs. Warren Nixon, Mrs. Mary Van Norden, Mrs. Willard F. Moore, Mrs. Charles Mann, Mrs. Harold E. Lyons, Mrs. Patrick Ladas, Mrs. Clifford Johnson, Mrs. Otis Day, Mrs. Francis Coulter, Mrs. Kenneth W. Clough, Miss Ruth E. Chamberlain, and Mr. William K. Budge. Nancy Blowey from Forge Village was awarded first prize and Ruth Chamberlain and Betty Morgan second prize for selling the highest number of cookies in the northern section in support of Camp Middlesex.

Throughout rural America there are approximately two million boys and girls through their 4-H Club work that are directing their energies in the betterment of Head, Heart, Health and Hands. There are 84,000 local Clubs in about every county of every state, with 250,000 volunteer Club Leaders assisting these young people in projects in farming and homemaking.

Westford can be justly proud of the work our boys and girls in the 4-H Clubs, which are a part of this nation-wide organization, are doing, and we, as citizens, should be grateful to the townspeople who volunteer their assistance in this work.

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR, Director

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD WATER COMPANY

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1950	\$232,053.48
Additions during the year 1950	22,134.25
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	\$254,187.73

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

January 1, 1950 to December 30, 1950

(Cash Basis)

RECEIPTS

Hydrants	\$ 4,533.75
Public Buildings, Playgrounds, etc.	529.35
Subscribers	20,633.40
Installations	1,324.93
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	\$ 27,021.43

EXPENSES

Wages and Salaries	\$ 5,088.43
Expense Account and Supplies	4,648.54
Electric Power and Light	2,398.66
Installations	573.80
Taxes	4,296.84
Depreciation	3,587.82
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	\$ 20,594.09

Net Operating Profit	\$ 6,427.34
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Interest paid on Bank Loan	\$692.88
Loss from sale of Government Bond	473.15

\$ 1,166.03

Interest received from Government

Bonds	\$314.11
Profit from sale of Pipe	568.40
Profit from sale of Government Bond	47.46

\$ 929.97

\$ 236.06

Net gain for the year 1950	\$ 6,191.28
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WILLIAM R. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

February 2, 1951

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss.

Then personally appeared William R. Taylor and made oath that the above is a true statement of the cost of construction of the Westford Water Company to December 30, 1950 and of the Receipts and Expenditures from January 1, 1950 to December 30, 1950, before me.

PERRY T. SNOW, Notary Public.

My Commission Expires Oct. 24, 1952.

REPORT OF THE WHITNEY PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

The duties of the Whitney Playground Committee being of a supervisory nature, we believe that this service to the Town has been faithfully and satisfactorily performed. The caretaker, Mr. Peterson, is to be commended for his devotion to the proper care of the Playground. It has been the aim of the Committee to preserve the parklike beauty of the grounds without restricting its usefulness as a place of recreation for the school children.

The care and protection of the trees on Depot St. by proper spraying and pruning has been the responsibility of the Tree Warden and we believe has been properly attended to.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH
JOHN FISHER
MORRIS A. HALL

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The Cemetery Commissioners submit the following report for the year 1950.

The four cemeteries under our supervision are in first-class condition. The roads at Fairview have been repaired and oiled. The dry weather has been hard on the new set trees at Fairview, but most of them came through very well.

One of our members, Mr. Fred Blodgett, on account of poor health, resigned from the Board after serving for twenty-five years. We shall greatly miss him.

Albert A. Hildreth was appointed by the Selectmen to fill the vacancy.

We regret to say that some owners of lots are not paying for same.

SEBASTIAN B. WATSON, Chairman
AXEL G. LUNDBERG
ALBERT A. HILDRETH

NASHOBA ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF HEALTH

Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts

January 9, 1951

Gentlemen:

In presenting this 1950 report, the Nashoba Health Unit wishes to express to you, and through you to all those in Westford who contributed in our efforts, an appreciation of the cooperation received in our endeavor to carry out our responsibilities in the field of public health.

The work done in Environmental Sanitation is tabulated as follows:

Milk samples collected and tested	186	---
Inspections of pasteurization plants	41	
Inspections of raw milk plants	17	
Inspections of dairy farms	25	
Inspections of food establishments	29	
Inspections of School buildings	5	
Private water supplies inspected and tested	16	
Inspections of cesspools	1	
Nuisances investigated	2	
Pond water samples taken	6	
Milk licenses issued	26	
Camp inspections	3	
Camp licenses issued	4	

A comparison of these figures with corresponding ones for 1949 shows the emphasis we have placed this year on milk sampling. Other types of sanitation problems either private or public which came within our scope of work were investigated and action was taken on them as circumstances warranted. In his work our sanitation officer has met with stimulating cooperation and interest from all concerned.

During the past year, there has been no epidemics of unusual size throughout the Nashoba District, although as this year closes an increasing number of Whooping Cough cases are being reported from your town. The following is a list of communicable diseases reported from Westford:—

Chicken Pox	2
Diphtheria	1
German Measles	1
Measles	5
Mumps	2
Scarlet Fever	4
Tuberculosis	1
Whooping Cough	34
Dog Bites	11
Septic Sore Throat	2
Meningitis	1

There were two visits made to the general diagnostic and follow-up Chest Clinics; and four patients attended the Physiotherapy Clinics held at the Nashoba Health Center.

The need for an interest in Well Child Conferences is well illustrated by the following figures:—

Number of Conferences	12
Total Attendance	133
Number of Children	74
Inoculations Given	84
Referrals to private physicians	22

In connection with the total number of inoculations given, it might be pointed out that this figure does not represent the number of children immunized either initially or through booster shots. These numbers are now being kept and will be available for future reports.

Further health work for children is now being carried on throughout Nashoba in the form of a Sodium Fluoride Dental Treatment Program for second graders. This program was completed for your community during this year.

Special thanks are extended to your Public Health Nurse, Miss Dorothy Healy, and your Visiting Nurse, Mrs. Lazarakus, for their assistance in enabling us to carry out programs for your community.

Respectfully submitted,

STANTON GARFIELD, M. D., M. P. H.

Acting Director.

REPORT OF WESTFORD LOCAL SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE—JANUARY 6, 1951

On June 1, 1950, your present Westford Local School Planning Committee was appointed by Mr. Ben W. Drew, Moderator, in accordance with Article 38 of the 1950 Town Meeting, reading as follows:

Voted that the School Planning Committee be continued for one year by the appointment by the moderator of a committee of five men and women voters, no one of whom may be a member of the School Committee, to report not later than the next annual meeting on the advantages of maintaining the entire school system within the town limits, with suggested plans for the solution of the school building and planning problems.

In 1950 the town operated the following schools:

School	Enrollment	Capacity
Westford Academy	170	208*
Sargent School	231	240
Cameron School	207	240
Frost School	157	150
Nabnasset School	42	50

*Legal capacity according to 1938 Westford Town Report is 190.

It will be seen from the above table that the town is nearing the point where all seats in all schools will be occupied. Before that happens many problems will be encountered dealing with transportation of pupils, such as is now actually happening to pupils who would normally attend Nabnasset and Frost Schools.

Your Local Planning Board has considered all possible alternatives. They are:

1. Stagger classes—would result in:
 - a. Increased teaching costs.
 - b. Undesirable shorter pupils' school day.
 - c. Fatigue influence on afternoon classes.
 - d. Unsatisfactory home arrangements.
 - e. After-dark bus transportation.
2. Send pupils to other towns:
 - a. Other towns now crowded. No space available.
3. Temporary quarters, such as portable buildings.
 - a. Too expensive in long run.
 - b. Proven unsatisfactory from standpoints of heat, sanitation, light, ventilation, fire hazard.

4. Additions to present buildings:
 - a. We recognize the need of an addition to the Nabnasset School but feel that such an addition would not solve the problems of the town as a whole. We therefore recommend that this addition to the Nabnasset School be deferred until solution of the major problem has been accomplished.
 - b. Additions to the Frost School and Westford Academy, both of wooden construction, seem impractical. A great deal of remodeling would be necessary to both buildings as they now stand, and the cost would seem to be excessive when it is considered what the same amount of money would buy for the town in the shape of a new building.
5. New School buildings:
 - a. Elementary schools:
Would solve elementary school problems but not secondary.
 - b. Consolidated school for all grades:
Would necessitate abandonment of all present buildings and reorganization of many phases of our present system, such as transportation, teaching staff, etc.
 - c. Four-year local high school:
Cost would be approximately \$645,000. In addition, the present Academy building would need to be maintained as a junior high school. No state aid would be granted.
 - d. Six-year local high school:
Your local school planning board has requested from the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission a comparative cost between a local six-year high school and the proposed three-town regional high school and has received the following reply in part:

**Net Estimated Construction Costs for Westford Local and Three-Town
Regional Six-Year High Schools**

	Westford Local High School	Three-Town Regional
	1	2
Total Estimated Construction Cost	\$978,000.00	\$978,000.00 (45.27%)*
State Construction Grant	None	(\$442,741.00)* \$ 747,301.00
Net Estimated Construction Cost	\$978,000.00	(\$535,259.00)* \$ 748,199.00

*The School Building Assistance Commission is instructed by law (Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948) to "determine whether the proposed construction is in the best interests of the city, town or region." The consensus among educational authorities is that a six-year secondary school with an enrollment well under 700 cannot, except at exorbitant cost, offer an adequate educational program. It is hardly to be expected that the School Building Assistance Commission would approve, as being in the best interests of the town, a six-year secondary school project for an anticipated enrollment of 390. The second column in the above table is included only for purposes of comparison of estimated costs.

The above report from the State School Building Assistance Commission shows that, if Westford bears the expense—with no state aid—of building a local six-year high school, it will cost the town \$978,000. It is estimated that the resulting increase in our tax rate will be about \$24.45 per \$1000 assessed valuation. If the town is able to get state aid, which seems doubtful on the basis of the above report, the increase in the tax rate would be about \$13.38 per \$1000 assessed valuation.

The members of your local school planning board feel that it would be their duty at another time, when no alternative proposal had been made, to make a definite recommendation. However, in the light of present conditions, we feel that it is the duty of the voters of the town to come to their own decision after reading this report and that submitted by the Regional School Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

WESTFORD SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE

William G. Plummer, Chairman

Mary R. Lambert

Alfred T. Wark

Felix R. Perrault

Walter N. Fletcher

REPORT OF REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING BOARD

The studies of this committee and previous committees show that a six-year high school is necessary for the following reasons:

1. It would eliminate any need of further building in the elementary group for a number of years.
2. It would give the following advantages to the seventh and eighth grades:
 - Manual arts.
 - Domestic arts.
 - Physical education.
 - Remedial work and guidance.
 - Cafeteria.
3. The present Academy building is inadequate:
 - Lack of suitable laboratory facilities.
 - Poor sanitary conditions.
 - Building is not fire resistant.
 - Lack of space requires study hall groups in recitation classes.
 - Lack of space for library, manual arts, domestic arts, mechanical drawing, physical education, remedial work and guidance, cafeteria, auditorium.

THE REASON FOR A REGIONAL SCHOOL

From a financial as well as educational standpoint, it has been found that a school of from 500-800 pupils is ideal. This number of pupils can only be obtained by combining with other towns.

THE COST OF THE SCHOOL

The cost of constructing, equipping and landscaping a building with a capacity of 800 students would be TODAY—\$1,500,000.00.

Cost to Westford based on 49.97% State Aid

Estimated cost (using State Formula)	\$1,500,000.00
State Aid 49.97%	749,550.00
Entire District's Share	750,450.00
Westford's Net Cost	412,748.00
First Year's Payment (includes interest 1.75%)	35,074.90
Average Payment (over 20 years)	27,856.15
Tax Rate Increase 1st Year	
(based on .25 per \$1,000)	8.77
Average Tax Rate Increase	6.97

The proposed building would contain:

- 18 Regular classrooms (30 pupil maximum).
- 3 Commercial rooms.
- 4 Laboratories (Chemistry, Physics, Biology and Science).
- 1 Library to seat from 30 up to 100.
- 2 Art rooms.
- 1 Housekeeping suite.
- 4 Shops (Automotive and electrical, wood and metals, agriculture and printing).
- 1 Auditorium with stage and dressing rooms.
- 1 Gymnasium with lockers and showers.
- 1 Suite health offices.
- 1 Suite remedial and guidance offices.
- 1 Suite administrative offices.
- 1 Cafeteria and kitchen to seat one-half the school at a time.
- 2 Teachers' rooms.

MAINTENANCE COST

The cost of a regional school would be greater than the present school because the present program is inadequate. Westford is now spending for its high school, \$215 per pupil.

The operating cost of a regional school based on pupil enrollment as of October 1, 1950, would be divided as follows:

Westford	61%
Littleton	27%
Carlisle	12%

NOTE: How a Regional School District is Set Up

To establish a regional school district, it is necessary for the town to vote the following agreement. If accepted, the construction of the school can be started as soon as the three towns have accepted the agreement and the regional district school committees have been appointed.

Respectfully submitted,

WESTFORD REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

June Armstrong, Chairman
Mary Lambert
Frederick W. Gatenby

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

The Finance Committee submits herewith its recommendations for the 1951 Annual Town Meeting.

General Government—4.99%

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1947-49	Expenses 1950	Amt. Asked for 1951	Recom- mended for 1951
3- 1	Selectmen	\$ 948.11	\$ 987.48	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	License Expense	90.67	90.64	100.00	100.00
	Accountant	1,166.82	1,160.74	1,175.00	1,175.00
	Treasurer	2,112.28	2,230.00	2,280.00	2,280.00
	Assessors	1,683.52	1,999.74	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Tax Collector	2,088.23	2,287.46	2,400.00	2,400.00
	Tax Title	290.88	461.50	750.00	750.00
	Town Counsel	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Town Clerk	728.43	743.38	875.00	875.00
	Election and Registration	1,543.21	2,312.51	1,550.00	1,350.00
25	Assessors-Maps	496.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
3- 2	Town Hall	3,541.66	3,340.48	3,508.00	3,508.00
26	Refinishing Town Hall		800.00	400.00	400.00

Protection of Persons and Property—9.82%

	POLICE				
3- 3	General Expenses	\$ 8,659.01	\$ 9,365.59	\$ 10,255.00	\$ 9,555.00
15	Police Car			500.00	500.00

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1947-49	Expenses 1950	Amt. Asked for 1951	Recom- mended for 1951
	FIRE				
3- 4	Permanent Man	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
	General Expense	7,878.71	7,909.81	8,000.00	8,000.00
10	Purchase of Fire Hose	641.67	640.00	2,025.00	2,025.00
12	Purchase of New Boiler—Westford Firehouse			750.00	750.00
13	Purchase of 2 New Sirens				
3- 5	Hydrants	4,049.06	4,533.75	4,545.00	4,545.00
31-32	New Hydrants			495.00	225.00
3- 6	Sealer of Weights & Measures	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
3- 8	Forest Fires	1,626.72	1,622.60	1,500.00	1,500.00
9	Forest Fire Truck			3,000.00	3,000.00
3- 9	Town Forest			200.00	20.00
3-10	Tree Warden		706.77	700.00	700.00
3-11	Moth Department	1,018.55	1,080.01	1,300.00	1,300.00
Health and Sanitation—1.56%					
3-12	Board of Health	3,527.85	4,630.49	5,000.00	5,000.00
3-13	Cattle Inspection	183.33	200.00	200.00	200.00

Highway Department—14.62%

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1947-49	Expenses 1950	Amt. Asked for 1951	Recom- mended for 1951
3-14	Snow and Ice Removal	\$ 10,408.13	\$ 12,135.80	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
	Town Roads	889.61	2,308.19	5,000.00	5,000.00
5	Chapter 81 Roads	10,125.00	32,399.28	10,125.00	10,125.00
6	Chapter 90 Maintenance	875.00	2,999.64	1,000.00	1,000.00
7	Highway Road Machinery Account	1,838.58	5,570.57	5,000.00	5,000.00
8	Chapter 90 Construction	2,000.00	10,099.05	3,000.00	3,000.00
14	New Trucks	2,290.30	—	6,000.00	6,000.00
22	Sidewalks	487.15	500.00	500.00	500.00
21	Road Marking	416.07	499.94	500.00	500.00
3-26	Street Lights	7,033.93	7,436.61	7,560.00	7,560.00
34-38	New Street Lights	—	—	234.00	90.00

Charities—15.50%

3-15	Old Age	18,639.87	47,090.77	25,000.00	25,000.00
	Aid to Dependent Children	3,495.26	8,720.73	1,800.00	1,800.00
	Temporary Aid	18,033.73	22,929.04	24,900.00	24,900.00

Soldiers' Benefits—1.20%

3-16	Soldiers' Benefits	1,890.04	4,446.61	4,000.00	4,000.00
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Schools—44.95%

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1947-49	Expenses 1950	Amt. Asked for 1951	Recom- mended for 1951
3-17	School Department		\$132,820.25	\$143,939.00	\$143,939.00
18	Repairs	\$116,549.73	832.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
3-18	Vocational Tuition	828.62	1,704.58	3,500.00	3,500.00
39	School Planning Committee			1,000.00	300.00
41	School Athletic Program			1,000.00	1,000.00

Library—1.08%

3-19	Public Library	3,715.81	4,327.43	3,600.00	3,600.00
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Recreation—.39%

3-20	Care of Common	308.64	399.05	300.00	300.00
23	Whitney Playground	300.00	729.53	700.00	600.00
20	Band Concerts	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00

Civilian Defense—.60%

19	Civilian Defense		14.25	8,000.00	2,000.00
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Unclassified—4.09%

Article	Appropriation	Ave. Expenses 1947-49	Expenses 1950	Amt. Asked for 1951	Recom- mended for 1951
3-21	Commemoration of Memorial Day	\$ 312.93	\$ 276.40	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
3-22	Publishing of Town Report	963.45	1,046.50	1,200.00	1,200.00
3-23	Fire and Other Insurance	3,907.19	4,613.82	4,200.00	4,200.00
3-27	Finance Board Reserve Fund	2,509.99	1,935.91	5,000.00	5,000.00
	Finance Board Expense	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
3-28	Outstanding Bills	2,036.93	3,276.57	200.00	200.00
29	Middlesex County Retirement System	1,525.95	2,313.00	1,788.00	1,788.00
33	Quarters for Nabnasset Legion	—	300.00	300.00	300.00
17	Settlement for Damages	—	—	380.00	380.00
42	Stocking Ponds and Inlet	—	—	500.00	150.00
Cemeteries—1.20%					
3-25	Salaries and Wages	3,490.36	3,454.83	4,000.00	4,000.00
Maturing Debt and Interest					
3-24	Interest Revenue Loans	—	—	25.00	25.00
	State and County Taxes	—	—	<u>\$342,194.00</u>	<u>\$333,550.00</u>
		—	—	—	17,500.00
	Estimated Receipts State and County	—	—	—	<u>\$351,050.00</u>
	Amount to be Raised by Taxes	—	—	—	<u>155,000.00</u>
		—	—	—	<u>\$196,050.00</u>

The Finance Committee has made its recommendations on articles involving the expenditure of money as listed above. The various articles have been listed under the appropriate classifications. Listed below are the recommendations on other articles.

- Art. 4 The authorization of the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue is recommended.
- Art. 27 The Finance Committee does not recommend the acceptance of Jonas Road in its present condition.
- Art. 28 The Finance Committee recommends the acceptance of the extension of Storey Street.
- Art. 30 The Finance Committee recommends that the gift of the Solomon Hynes Fund, Inc. be accepted and that a vote of appreciation be extended to the donors.
- Art. 32 The Finance Board on advice from Town Counsel can not recommend hydrants on private property.
- Art. 40 The Finance Committee does not deem it advisable to accept the offer of land by Mr. Smith in Nabnassett.
- Art. 43 The Finance Board is in favor of the proposed By-Laws relative to Earth Removal.

If the above recommendations of the Finance Committee are adhered to the tax rate based on a valuation of approximately \$4,230,000 will be approximately \$46.35 per thousand of valuation. For every increase of \$1,000 in expenditure the tax rate will increase approximately 24½ cents.

E. KENT ALLEN
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ALBERT FORTY
ALLISTER MacDOUGALL
VICTOR B. DALY

TOWN OF WESTFORD WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Westford, in said County,

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, to notify and warn all the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections, and also in Town affairs, to meet at their several polling places, viz.:

- PRECINCT 1. Town Hall, Westford Center.
- PRECINCT 2. Legion Hall, Graniteville.
- PRECINCT 3. Nabnasset School, Brookside.
- PRECINCT 4. Abbot Hall, Forge Village.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1951

being the first Monday in said month, at 12:00 o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes for the following officers:

FOR FIVE YEARS

One member of Westford Housing Authority.

FOR THREE YEARS

- One Town Clerk.
- One Selectman.
- One member of the Board of Public Welfare.
- One Assessor.
- Two members of the School Committee.
- One member of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners.
- One Trustee of the J. V. Fletcher Library.
- One member of the Board of Health.
- One Moderator.

FOR ONE YEAR

One Tree Warden.

and to vote on the following question:

Shall the Town accept the provisions of Sections 16 to 16 I, inclusive, of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a Regional School District, together with the Town of Littleton, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a Regional School by the said District in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen?

YES ☐

NO ☐

All on one ballot.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 8 P. M., and to meet in the Town Hall at Westford Center on the following

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 1951

at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act upon the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Town Officers and Committees; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To determine the salary and compensation of elected officers and officials as provided by law.

ARTICLE 3. To appropriate money to meet the costs and expenses of the following departments, officers and purposes:

1. General Government.
2. Town Hall.
3. Police Department.
4. Fire Department.
5. Hydrants.
6. Sealer of Weights and Measures.
7. Fish and Game Warden.
8. Forest Fires.
9. Town Forest.
10. Tree Warden.

11. Moth Department.
12. Health Department.
13. Cattle Inspector.
14. Highway purposes.
15. Department of Public Welfare.
16. Soldiers' Benefits.
17. School Department.
18. Vocational tuition.
19. Public Library.
20. Care of Common.
21. Commemoration of Memorial Day.
22. Publishing of Town Reports.
23. Fire and other insurance.
24. Interest on Revenue Loans.
25. Cemeteries.
26. Street Lights.
27. Finance Committee Reserve Fund.
28. Unpaid bills of previous years.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway maintenance; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Thirty-One and 25-100 (\$431.25) Dollars, or some other sum, for the Highway Machinery Fund, and to transfer a certain sum of money from said Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing North Street, contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing for use by the Forest Fire Department a new chassis and transferring to said new chassis the body and pump now on the present Forestry truck, said chassis to be purchased and said body and pump to be transferred from the old truck to the new chassis all under the supervision of the Forest Warden, and that said new Forestry truck be stationed in the Westford Fire House; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing one thousand feet, or some other quantity, of new two and one-half inch fire hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing 1000 feet, or some other quantity, of hose to be used by the Forest Fire Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Forest Warden; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and installing a new boiler in the Westford Fire House; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing two new sirens to be placed on the Fire Houses in Graniteville and Forge Village; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing a new truck for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing a new automobile for the Police Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. In the event of an affirmative vote under Article 15, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the automobile now used by the Police Department and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the new automobile; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to settle claims for damages against the Town, and to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of paying such settlements; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Hundred (\$1200) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of making certain improvements to the Sargent School; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Eight Thousand (\$8,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of Civil Defense; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (\$400) Dollars, or some other sum, for Band Concerts during the current year; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of painting traffic lines and signals on the public ways in said Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred (\$700) Dollars, or some other sum, for the care of the Whitney Playground; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will elect a committee, consisting of three or more persons, to be known as the Whitney Playground Committee; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of continuing the survey and maps of the Town under the supervision of the Board of Assessors; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of painting the lower Town Hall; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept Jonas Road as laid out by the Selectmen as shown by the report and plan duly filed in the office of the Town Clerk; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept an extension of Story Street as laid out by the Selectmen as shown by the report and plan duly filed in the office of the Town Clerk; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Hundred Eighty-Eight (\$1788) Dollars for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift made to it during the year 1950 by the Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc.; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to enter into a contract with the Westford Water Company for two additional hydrants, one on Story Street and one on Pleasant Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to enter into a contract with the Westford Water Company for 9 additional hydrants to be located as follows: 1 on Nabnasset Road, 1 Grove Street, 2 Edwards Avenue, 1 Byrne Avenue, 1 Gassett Road, 1 Lake Shore Drive and 2 on Oak Hill Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of providing suitable quarters in the Nabnasset Section of said Westford for the Nabnasset American Legion Post No. 347 and the Auxiliary of said Post; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install five additional street lights on Plain Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install three street lights on Hillside Avenue; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one street light on Beaver Brook Road on pole #EL.W.28 opposite the residence of Archie Fish in Forge Village; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one additional street light on Pleasant Street at or near the junction of Abbot Street and Pleasant Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install three street lights on Hartford Road, Westford, Massachusetts; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the School Planning Committee appointed or continued in office under Article 1; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept the offer of Elmer Smith to make a gift upon certain conditions to the Town of a parcel of land situated in the Section of Westford known as Brookside at the corner of Oak Hill Road and Grove Street, containing 11,800 square feet, more or less, and being Lots 382, 384 and 385 shown on Plan of Nabnasset Lake Shores, Section C; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the athletic program in the Westford Schools; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars for the purpose of stocking ponds and other inland waters, located within the Town limits, with fish and of liberating game within said limits under the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 5 (41) of the General Laws; and that said sum be expended under the supervision of a committee of three persons appointed by the Moderator, two members of which committee shall be members of a sporting club; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-Laws:

EARTH REMOVAL BY-LAW

Section 1. The removal of soil, loam, sand, or gravel from any parcel of land not in public use in the Town of Westford, except as hereinafter provided, shall be allowed only after a written permit therefor is obtained from the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing of which due notice is given.

Section 2. No permit shall be required for the continuous operation on any parcel of a sand or gravel pit in operation at the time this by-law is adopted, provided such operation is not thereafter discontinued for more than one year; and no permit shall be required for the removal of soil, loam, sand, or gravel from any parcel of land when incidental to and in connection with the construction of a building on the parcel.

Section 3. In issuing a permit under this by-law, the Board of Selectmen may impose such conditions not specifically provided for herein as it may deem necessary for the adequate protection of the neighborhood and the Town. Any conditions imposed by the Board shall be attached to and made a part of the permit. The Board may, in its discretion, require a bond, certified check, or other security for compliance with said conditions or as evidence of good faith as to the completion of any proposed construction. The Board may, after a public hearing on proof of violation of any condition, revoke any permits so issued. No permit shall be issued under the provisions of this by-law for a period of more than three years.

Section 4. Sand and gravel may be removed from any parcel of land, except within 300 feet of a Street or way, and the Board shall issue a permit therefor provided, however, that the Board shall impose such reasonable conditions as to the disposition of top soil and the re-establishment of ground levels and grades as it may deem necessary.

Section 5. Soil or loam may be removed from any parcel of land within such parcel determined by the Board to be unsuited to agricultural use, and the Board may issue a permit for such removal; provided, however, that the Board shall in making such decision, obtain the recommendations of the appropriate Soil District Supervisor and the County Extension Director or Agent, or their successors, and their recommendations shall be made a part of the records of the Board. In issuing a permit, the Board may impose reasonable conditions as to the re-establishment of ground levels and grades.

Section 6. Notwithstanding the provisions of the above, the Board may issue a permit for the removal of soil or loam from any parcel of land in the Town where such removal is necessarily incidental to and in connection with the construction of a road or other facility involving a permanent change in the use of the land. The Board shall issue no such

permit unless it is reasonably satisfied that the construction will be completed and evidence thereof shall be made part of the records of the Board.

Section 7. Soil, loam, sand, or gravel may be removed from any parcel of land within such parcel lying within 300 feet of any street or way, provided a permit therefor has been issued by the Board after satisfactory evidence that such removal will not be seriously detrimental or injurious to the neighborhood; provided further that the Board shall impose reasonable conditions as to the method of removal, the re-establishment of ground levels and grades and the planting of the area to suitable cover, as it may deem necessary. Removal of soil or loam under authority of this section shall be further subject to the provisions of Section III.

Section 8. Whoever violates the provisions of any of these By-laws shall be subject to a fine of not exceeding Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each offense.

or act in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up true and attested copies thereof at the Town Hall and at each Post Office in said Westford, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding the first meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord, 1951.

CYRIL A. BLANEY
EDWARD F. HARRINGTON
THOMAS W. GOWER
Selectmen of Westford

A true copy,
Attest:

Constable of Westford

Annual Report
OF THE
School Committee
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,
1950

ORGANIZATION—SCHOOL COMMITTEE

H. Arnold Wilder	Term Expires 1951
Clifford J. Courchaine	Term Expires 1951
Edgar S. Peterson	Term Expires 1952
Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman	Term Expires 1952
Robert J. Heman, Jr.	Term Expires 1953
F. Stanley Smith, Secretary	Term Expires 1953

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Peter F. Perry

Office — Westford Academy

Telephone 561

Office hours: 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

CLERK

Mrs. Constance Malloy

SCHOOL TELEPHONES

Cameron School 542

Sargent School 553

Wm. E. Frost School 230

Westford Academy 771

Nabnassett School 233

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dwight W. Cowles, M.D., Westford, Mass.

Tel. 521

SCHOOL NURSE

Dorothy Healy, R.N., Westford, Mass.

Tel. Office 391, Town Hall

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Westford:

The Superintendent's report has been read and accepted by the School Committee.

It seems hardly necessary for the Committee to reiterate the work done in the schools, as the superintendent's report which is endorsed by the Committee will cover this phase. However, we would like to say that we are impressed by the spirit of harmony that has prevailed among all connected with the schools. The teachers have been loyal and have rendered faithful, efficient service. It has always been our policy to further the best interests of the schools. Everything considered it has been a pleasant and profitable year but it is not the part of wisdom to be satisfied, for such a condition would stand in the way of progress. Only by striving after better things can improvement be expected.

The public schools of our nation are receiving greater attention than they have in the past. It is the purpose of the public school to help in preparing the children for the duties of life and citizenship and to this end may it not justly expect the loyalty and support of the entire community?

The Committee is asking for the amount of \$143,939.00 to operate the schools in Westford for the year 1951, and the sum of \$3,500 for Vocational tuition and transportation.

Under the provision of the State Law, plus the usual reimbursement for transportation, out-of-town tuition, and State Wards, the Town will receive \$42,528.30 which will bring the net cost down to \$101,410.70.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. GATENBY
Chairman

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Westford School Committee:

Gentlemen:

Complying with custom it is my privilege and pleasure to present my third annual report of public school education for the past year in Westford.

Included in this report are the usual statistical data and the reports of the Academy Principal, Supervisor of Music and Art, Penmanship, School Nurse and School Physician.

Three of the most important matters that confront American schools today are: (1) additional pupil accommodations, (2) a much greater supply of well qualified teachers, especially in the primary and elementary grades, and (3) adequate finances. In our Westford schools we are confronted with these same three factors and the situation is a serious one.

For several years there have been committees at work studying our need for a building program. Unfortunately, the citizens have not deemed our problem serious enough to do anything about it, except to hear reports of committees and then appoint new ones. Last September, because of the crowded condition at Frost school, it was necessary to transport the Fifth Grade pupils to the Cameron school at Forge Village. This I believe, awakened our citizens to the fact that crowded conditions are already with us and not something that might happen in the future. At the present time, there are two committees studying our housing problem. It is the desire of the School Board and myself that some definite action be taken at the next Town Meeting. Our school population has increased this year and all indications point to a further increase next year.

Our second problem is that of securing enough well qualified teachers, especially in the primary and elementary grades. Experience has shown us that young men and women who graduate from Liberal Arts Colleges do not usually make successful teachers in the primary grades. You may ask, "What can we do about that?" The answer is to keep in touch with your representative and inform him of your desire to see that the Teachers Colleges are kept opened and expanded. This is definitely necessary at this time and merits your careful consideration.

The matter of adequate finances to run our schools as they should be is the third problem. As burdensome as this is, we must face the fact that we cannot shirk our duty. We must see to it that there are sufficient funds provided.

Westford has been and still is a training center for young teachers who stay only a year or two for experience and then go to other towns and cities for a substantial increase in salary. The teachers don't suffer — but your children do! Graduating students of Teachers Colleges are already accepting positions for the next school year at salaries ranging from \$2,400 to \$2,600.

Following is the report of the Academy Principal:

Mr. Peter F. Perry

Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

In this, my first report to the citizens of Westford, I would like to comment briefly on the educational program at Westford Academy.

ENROLLMENT

As of December 1, 1950, the Academy enrollment stood at 169, or an increase of 9 students over this time last year. With larger classes in our lower grades it is probable that this trend will continue.

We have attempted through personal persuasion and through the curriculum to encourage those students who are contemplating leaving school to stay longer. I urge parents to join us in this effort for it is apparent that democratic ideals are safer in the hands of an enlightened citizenry.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Post Graduates	1	0	1
Seniors	9	21	30
Juniors	22	20	42
Sophomores	22	21	43
Freshmen	29	24	53
Totals	83	86	169

CURRICULUM

In the operation of our curriculum we have pledged ourselves to the fullest utilization of all available facilities. In the matter of new courses our ambition for our students is limited only by the nature of the school plant itself.

Half-year courses in consumer education and economic geography are being continued and classes in remedial reading will be available soon for those who have indicated this deficiency through our testing program. We have also continued Driver Training classes because we believe these possess great social utility.

Plans have been made to enlarge our biology course so that field trips may be included during the good weather. However, regardless of the course, emphasis is always on the student in the class, rather than on content material.

CLUBS

Under our new schedule it is possible for us to provide a 33-minute club-activity period on Thursday and Friday mornings. Participation is entirely voluntary, but we encourage the student to join at least one club believing that they not only contribute to his greater enrichment, but stimulate interest in school affairs as well.

Club	Number of Pupils	Faculty Sponsor
Newspaper	17	Miss Kelly
Photography	24	Mr. Robes
Dramatic	28	Miss Dohanian
Handicraft	12	Mrs. Fletcher
Student Council	12	Miss Finn
Live Wire	10	Mr. Robes
Girls' Glee Club	30	Miss Bennett
Boys' Glee Club	20	Miss Bennett
Driver Training	30	Mr. Rennie
Typing	8	Miss Finn

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Assemblies are held twice monthly and are planned so that they are both instructive and interesting. All national holidays are observed and appropriate patriotic and religious services are included in the program.

Athletics comprise a very large part of extra-curricular activities. Our three major sports, football, basketball, and baseball all undertake ambitious schedules. This year the Wachusetts League was divided into two divisions, eastern and western. For this reason we have been forced to play some games outside the league. So far, these arrangements have proven satisfactory and we have not been forced to appreciably curtail our schedules.

Intramural sports, played at noon recess or after school, round out our athletic program and provide those students who do not make the Academy teams, with some competitive athletics.

Each class is permitted one social activity (usually a dance) under the guidance of their class advisor. In addition, the Student Council accepts the sponsorship of other events that are deemed advisable by its faculty advisor. All dances are adequately chaperoned and transportation to and from the dance is provided by our school buses.

GUIDANCE

Miss Mary Finn, assisted by other faculty members, continues to head our guidance program. The testing program, instituted last year, makes our guidance more meaningful and provides us with invaluable data on the interests, potentialities and capabilities of our students.

CONCLUSION

We at the Academy believe that public secondary education must be truly democratic. We recognize the paradox of training for participation in the democratic life through autocratic administrative and classroom practices. The democratic thread must run through the entire cloth of institutional operation. It must show respect for the personality of every student and develop means whereby highly diverse inborn capacities attain their highest possible expression.

We believe our greatest obligation to be the preservation and improvement of the democratic way of life. Progressive achievement of this ideal means the inculcation of those qualities essential to a society of free governing men and women. These qualities include an understanding and appreciation of democracy and democratic institutions; the development of characteristics that have democratic significance such as individual capability and intelligent acceptance of social responsibility, open-mindedness, understanding, and cooperation in the promotion of the common good; and the use of teaching methods through which the democratic goals may be attained.

In conclusion, we at the Academy hold before us this important concept: We teach students—not school subjects. We are much more interested in finding out a student's level of interest, his abilities and achievements, and then meeting him on that level. Instead of trying to fit a student into a specific slot or niche, we would rather fit a program to the student.

Respectfully,

CHARLES E. CARROLL

PERSONNEL

We have again experienced considerable turn-over in our teaching force. Mr. K. Merton Bozoian, Principal of the Wm. E. Frost School for nearly nine years, resigned in September to go to East Hampton, Conn. Mr. Bozoian's outstanding work and active interest in the boys and girls of Westford will be long remembered. Mr. William B. Gove was elected to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Gordon C. Getchell, Principal of the Sargent School for six years resigned in April to accept the Superintendent's position in Hatfield, Mass. Mr. Getchell was always an efficient and capable administrator. Mr. Raymond S. Dower, Jr. was elected to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. Patricia Ahearn resigned in January and Mrs. Doucette was appointed to finish the year. In September, Miss Martha Yoshida was transferred from Sargent School to Cameron School and Miss Martha G. Morris was elected to the vacancy at Sargent School. Miss Eleanor M. Duggan was elected as Fifth Grade teacher at Cameron School to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Horne. Miss Eleanor Rodgers resigned from her position at the Academy because of illness and Mr. Warren N. Lapworth was elected to that position.

Mr. John T. Conrad, whose enthusiasm was contagious and his leadership outstanding, resigned as Principal at the Academy in October to accept a similar position in Chelmsford and Mr. Charles E. Carroll, Jr. was elected to the vacancy.

Mrs. Alice Whitcomb, who has been secretary to the superintendent for eight years, has resigned her position to accept a post at the Abbot Worsted Company. Her fine spirit of co-operation, helpfulness, and understanding will be greatly missed. She leaves the employ of the School Department with well wishes from the student body, faculty, superintendent and School Board.

We are sorry to lose these men and women from our school system but we wish them all happiness and success in their new endeavors.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

As was planned last year we have concentrated on our social studies books. New history books were purchased for the Academy to replace the old worn-out set.

In Grades Four through Six we have new geography books which were badly needed, and Grades Seven and Eight received new history books. This year we plan to furnish history books in Grades Three through Six.

BUILDINGS

In keeping with our long range planning for the maintenance of our buildings, Sargent School received one coat of outside paint this summer and the interior of Cameron School was also done.

Next year we plan to paint the interior of Frost School. The Nabnassett School trim and basements should also be painted.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR TEACHERS

Again our teachers were privileged to attend a teachers' institute at the Lowell Teachers College where they had the opportunity of visiting the training schools and discussing the methods and materials being used. We also spent an afternoon at Salem Teachers College, where we heard a very fine lecture on the teaching of arithmetic.

Our teachers spent much time and thought in the studying of social studies books, and from this study, geography books were purchased for Grades Four to Six.

Realizing that many of our experienced teachers can help a beginning teacher, we have had inter-visitation within our own system. An innovation this year, it has been of inestimable value and has strengthened the spirit of co-operation and friendliness among our teachers.

DRIVER EDUCATION

This year we offered a course in Driver Education which was opened to Juniors and Seniors and as many others as could be accommodated. The teacher selected to give this course must have a certificate indicating that he has satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in Driver Education sponsored or approved by the Registry of Motor Vehicles and the Commissioner of Education.

"Behind the Wheel Instruction" depends upon two things: the ability of an organization in Town to obtain a car from a local dealer through the Massachusetts State Automobile Dealers Association, Inc., and the rule that every student bring a written consent from his parents. As yet we have been unable to get a car but hope to obtain one by April 1, 1951.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Again this year the Westford Teachers Association Scholarship Fund came forward with a \$100 scholarship for a senior girl in the Class of 1950 who is presently at Lowell State Teachers College. The Teachers Association is already planning a program to raise more money for this fund.

GIFTS

The Trustees of Westford Academy have again financed a testing program for the students and have also contributed generously in the form of prizes at graduation time. We are indeed grateful to them for their continued active support.

The Abbot Worsted Company and the C. G. Sargent Sons Corporation gladdened the hearts of all the school children at Christmas time by their generous gifts.

The Westford P.T.A. is continuing its policy of providing playground equipment at the Frost School, while the Forge Village P.T.A. has painted and furnished a Domestic Science room at Cameron School. Both of these projects are to be highly commended.

Mr. Harold Wright continued to provide free bus transportation to some of our football games and we gladly welcome this cooperation.

The Nabnasset P.T.A., the Boosters, and the American Legion are actively interested in the school program to the extent of providing library books and Christmas parties for the children.

We are indeed fortunate to have such organizations as these to actively back up our school program.

And now may I thank the School Committee for their understanding and excellent cooperation in all our problems as they arise.

May I also express my appreciation to the entire school faculty and to the secretary, for the spirit of unity which prevails throughout the system — a unity built through the years of many ingredients — loyalty, friendliness, helpfulness, and responsibility.

For all this I give thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER F. PERRY
Superintendent

WESTFORD ACADEMY

PROGRAM OF STUDIES - 1950-1951

Core for All Students		Electives for Courses		
		Academic	Commercial	General
Freshmen	English I Civics	Algebra I* French I Gen. Science	Jr. Bus. Tr.* Gen. Science French I Prac. Math.	Prac. Math.* Jr. Bus. Tr. Gen. Science French I
Sophomores	English II World History	Plane Geom. Biology French I or II	Typewriting I Bookkeeping I Biology French I or II	Biology Jr. Bus. Tr. Gen. Science French I or II Typewriting I
Juniors	English III U. S. History	Algebra II French I or II Physics Trigonometry Solid Geom.	Bookkeeping I or II Stenography I Typewriting II Psy. and Eco. Geo. French I or II	Business Law Psy. and Eco. Geo. French I or II Consumer Science Typewriting II
Seniors	English IV Problems of Democracy	Physics French II Trig. & Solid Geom. Econ. & Con. Ed.	Stenography II Bookkeeping II French II Econ. & Con. Ed. Business Law	Econ. & Con. Ed. French II Consumer Science

*Required in this course.

1. All subjects listed above provide one unit of credit with the exception of Typewriting which counts one-half unit.
2. All pupils must take Music, Health and Physical Education.
3. A student enrollment of at least 10 may be required for a class section in any subject.
4. Students must have a C or better average in Algebra I if they plan to take Plane Geometry. Students must have a C or better average in French I if they plan to take French II.

EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—YEAR 1950

SCHOOLS

Teachers' Salaries

Academy	\$ 24,462.49	
Elementary	61,740.35	\$ 86,202.84

Textbooks

Academy	465.91	
Elementary	1,794.37	2,260.28

Supplies

Academy	1,227.13	
Elementary	2,369.54	3,596.67

Other Expense of Instruction

Academy	480.41	
Elementary	201.96	682.37

Janitors' Salaries

Academy	2,629.92	
Elementary	7,482.89	10,112.81

Fuel

Academy	1,122.50	
Elementary	2,914.48	4,036.98

Miscellaneous Operation

Academy		
Water	144.26	
Lights	441.60	
Janitors' Supplies	219.11	
Telephone	63.38	

Elementary

Water	194.43	
Lights	616.98	
Janitors' Supplies	451.60	
Telephone	215.33	2,346.69

Repairs

Academy	665.61	
Elementary	1,941.00	2,606.61

Furniture and Fixtures		
Academy	615.44	
Elementary	101.00	716.44
Health		
Academy	166.95	
Elementary	165.00	331.95
Transportation		
Academy	6,347.50	
Elementary	6,148.75	12,496.25
Tuition		
Academy	173.01	
Elementary	346.71	519.72
Other Expense		
Academy	157.76	
Elementary	93.01	250.77
General Control		
Superintendent's salary	4,300.00	
Superintendent's expenses	146.90	
Clerk's salary	1,500.00	
School census	100.00	
Office expenses and telephone	221.78	6,268.68
Outlay		
Academy		
Elementary	356.25	356.25
Total		\$132,785.31
Receipts:		
Reimbursement for State Wards	\$ 1,308.65	
Reimbursement for Out-of-Town Tuition	712.44	
Reimbursement for Transportation	7,499.50	
Reimbursement School Aid and State Income	33,007.71	
Total		\$ 42,528.30
Net Cost to Town		\$ 90,257.01

CORPS OF TEACHERS 1950-1951

School	Teachers	Subject or Grade	Date of Appointment
Westford Academy	Charles E. Carroll, Jr., A.B., M.A., M.Ed., Principal (<i>Tufts College</i>)	Social Studies, English	Nov. 1950
	Eliz Dohanian, B.S. (<i>Tufts College</i>)	French, Algebra, Jr. Business Training	Sept. 1947
	Mary A. Finn, B.S.E., M.Ed. (<i>Salem Teachers College, Boston Univ.</i>)	Commercial	Sept. 1946
	Eileen K. Fletcher, A.B. (Girl's Coach) (<i>Tufts College</i>)	Social Studies	Sept. 1948
	Marea R. Kelly, A.B. (<i>Boston University</i>)	English, French	Sept. 1948
	Warren N. Lapworth, A.B. (Coach) (<i>Columbia University</i>)	English, Psychology Economic Geography	Sept. 1950
	John A. Rennie, A.B. (<i>Wesleyan University</i>)	Biology, Economics, General Science, Consumer Science	Sept. 1946
	Kenneth H. Robes, B.S. (<i>Dartmouth College</i>)	Mathematics, Business Law, Physics	Jan. 1947

Cameron School ----- Harold Hershfield, B.S., B.S.E., M.Ed.,

Principal -----

(*Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, Harvard*)

Alice M. Murphy -----	8	Jan. 1948
Alyce C. Gilligan, A.B. -----	1	Sept. 1949
Marjorie D. Nixon, B.S.E. -----	2	Sept. 1949
Katherine M. Harper, B.S.E. -----	3	Sept. 1947
Eleanor M. Duggan, B.S.E. -----	4	Feb. 1950
Martha M. Yoshida, B.S.E. -----	5	Sept. 1950
Maureen K. Markham, B.S. -----	6	Sept. 1946
	7	Sept. 1949

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

(*Emmanuel College*)

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

(*Simmons College*)

Wm. E. Frost School ----- William B. Gove, B.S.E.

Principal -----

Florence B. Morris -----	8	Oct. 1950
Shirley C. Oliver, B.S.E. -----	1	Sept. 1948
Ruth P. Tuttle -----	2	Sept. 1940
Rita H. Miller, B.S.E. -----	3	Sept. 1903
Gertrude H. Madden -----	4	Sept. 1939
	6, 7	Sept. 1947

(*Amherst, Boston University*)

(*Lowell Normal School*)

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

(*Lowell Normal School*)

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

(*Lowell Normal School*)

Sargent School Raymond S. Dower, Jr., B.A., M.Ed.,
Principal

Margery S. Flint

Jean E. Bell

Martha G. Morris, B.S.

Lottie D. Blodgett

Helen A. Gibbons

Gertrude D. Houghton, A.B.

Lillian G. Wright

Nabnassett School Ruth L. Wright, Principal

Mary D. Murphy

Supervisor of Music
and Art

Barbara L. Bennett, B.S.E.

School Nurse Dorothy A. Healy, R.N.

Superintendent Peter F. Perry, B.S.E., M.Ed.

(U. of New Hampshire, Boston U.) 8

(Fitchburg Normal School) 1

(Fitchburg Normal School) 2

(Lesley College) 3

(Framingham Normal School) 4

(Framingham Normal School) 5

(Regis College) 6

(Lowell Normal School) 7

(Plymouth Normal School) 1, 2

(Lowell Normal School) 3, 4

(Lowell Teachers College)

(Framingham, Union Hospital)

(Hynannis, Boston University)

April 1950

Jan. 1948

April 1930

Sept. 1950

Sept. 1916

Sept. 1948

Sept. 1947

Sept. 1914

Sept. 1946

Sept. 1948

Sept. 1949

Sept. 1941

Sept. 1948

ENROLLMENT—WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

November 30, 1950

Grades	Academy	Cameron	Frost	Nabnasset	Sargent	Totals
1		21	32	8	32	93
2		23	19	16	28	86
3		26	27	11	29	93
4		17	26	7	21	71
5		33			28	61
6		27	12		34	73
7		30	23		35	88
8		30	18		24	72
9	52					52
10	45					45
11	42					42
12	30					30
PG	1					1
Totals	170	207	157	42	231	807

Elementary	637
Academy	170
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REGISTRATION OF MINORS

October 1, 1950

Minors by Age Groups	5-7	7-16	Totals
Boys	79	341	420
Girls	74	308	382
Totals	153	649	802

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES

CAMERON SCHOOL

Robert Joseph Bouchard
 Norbert Joseph Brule
 Arthur Richard Coupal
 Terrence Patrick Crickett
 Augustine Robert Elliott
 Stephen Haley
 Stephen Haran
 Leo Joseph Langevin
 Raymond Francis Lessard
 John Francis McDonnell
 Gerald Paul Milot
 Walter Edward Mountain
 Melvin Theodore Pearson

Dwight Francis Young
 Maryanne Bouchard
 Ossie Mary Cook
 Vivian Rae Cornwall
 Patricia Ann Coupal
 Lorraine Helen Drolet
 Arlene Yvonne Dupuis
 Alice Veronica Lahme
 Flora Delia Lamy
 Jacqueline Lucille Lyons
 Margaret Mary Mossdrop
 Ann Marie Mulligan

WM. E. FROST SCHOOL

Richard Baker Budge
Bradford Madison Chisholm
Herbert Alan Holmes
Roseanne Theresa Johnston
Shirley Margaret Mountain
Richard Paul Smith
Stanley Gordon Whitney

James Weldon Burne
Robert William Harris
Justin Paul Jenkins
Ronald Koning
Roy Carleton Reynolds
Helen Catherine Sullivan
Walter Frank Wright

SARGENT SCHOOL

Maureen June Bettencourt
Peter Bettencourt
Carl N. Brady
Robert Harold Brady
Dorothy Holmes Brown
Thomas Connell
Arline Cote
Frances Elaine Coulter
Joseph Robert Dubey, Jr.
Peter E. Dubey
Arthur Gagne
Warren J. Hayes

Richard T. Holmes
George Chester Ingalls
Joan Ann Lavigne
Madeline Milot
Robert J. Milot
Rachel Ann Oliver
Susan Rose Paduano
John Thomas Payne
Doris Mae Roberts
Richard Avery Van Norden
Ruth Georgianna Van Norden
Harvey Edward Wyman

WESTFORD ACADEMY GRADUATES

Andrew Gustave Anderson
John Walter Bohenko
Marcel Joseph Brule
Maurice Joseph Brule
Doris Helen Chandonait
Walter Halko
Joan Margaret Kelly
Stanley M. Kimball
Dorothy S. King
Ruth Ann Lassonde
Cecile Jean Milot
Celine Florence Milot
Marlene Marie Milot
John Michael Mulligan

Bette Ann Ouellette
Theresa Mary Panneton
Claude Pierre Provost
Norma Joan Randall
Harold Fletcher Rogers
R. Melvin Shea
John William Spinner, Jr.
Geraldine Marie Sullivan
James Francis Thompson
Robert Joseph Walker
Jerome White Wetmore
Joan Ellen Wilson
Jane Marie Yarnall

P R O G R A M

PROCESSIONAL — Triumphal March from "Aida"
Marea Roberta Kelly, Pianist

Verdi

INVOCATION

Rev. Cletus E. Hirschy

SALUTATORY ADDRESS — At The Crossroads
Dorothy S. King

ESSAY — Peace Through Education
Joan M. Kelly

SONG — "Land of Hope and Glory"

Elgar

ESSAY — Design For Living
Walter Halko

ESSAY — Challenge To Mankind
John W. Spinner

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT
Harold F. Rogers
President of the Class of 1950

ACCEPTANCE OF CLASS GIFT
Gloria A. Connell
President of the Class of 1951

SONG — "You'll Never Walk Alone" Hammerstein and Rogers

ESSAY — Peace of Mind
Theresa M. Panneton

VALEDICTORY — "We Accept The Challenge"
Cecile J. Milot

REMARKS
Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

Mr. Edward J. Hunt
Trustee of Westford Academy
John T. Conrad
Principal of Westford Academy

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

Frederick W. Gatenby
Chairman of School Board

CLASS SONG

Jane M. Yarnall, Bette A. Ouellette

BENEDICTION

Rev. Cletus E. Hirschy

RECESSIONAL — Triumphal March from "Aida"

Marea Roberta Kelly, Pianist

CLASS MOTTO
"We Accept The Challenge"

CLASS COLORS
Blue and White

CLASS MARSHAL
Robert Joseph Walker

CLASS FLOWER
White Carnation

WINNERS OF PRIZES

(Given by Trustees of Westford Academy)

For excellence in English	Dorothy S. King
For excellence in Mathematics and Science	John W. Spinner, Jr.
For excellence in Secretarial Science	Theresa M. Panneton

THE MOST WORTHY REPRESENTATIVES OF WESTFORD ACADEMY

Class of 1950 — Cecile J. Milot
Class of 1951 — Arthur W. Gatenby
Class of 1952 — Kenneth B. St. Onge
Class of 1953 — Mona A. Harrington

OTHER AWARDS

Bausch and Lomb Science Award	Walter Halko
Balfour Award	Joan M. Kelly
Reader's Digest Award	Cecile J. Milot
D. A. R. Good Citizenship Award	Jane M. Yarnall
Westford - Teachers' Association Scholarship	John W. Spinner, Jr.
Westford Citizens Scholarship	John W. Spinner, Jr.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

My report as School Physician for the year ending December 31, 1950 is submitted.

I have made the usual physical examinations on all children attending the Westford Schools. Separate physical examinations were made on all cases deemed advisable to recheck for major defects. This has always been done in order that parents could be notified as to what procedure to follow to get their children the proper medical or surgical care, when such defects were found.

Special examinations were made on the Academy students who participate in football and baseball, and also on the elementary school boys who were interested in football. This was done in accordance with the Liability Insurance and to make certain that these children were in the proper physical condition to enter these sports.

A large number of pupils were treated at the Abbot Worsted Company Hospital for minor surgical and medical conditions. These were referred to me as emergency cases by the Principals of the various schools.

I wish to thank the Board of Health Nurse, teachers, and parents for their continued cooperation.

Respectfully,

DWIGHT W. COWLES, M.D.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Peter Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the school nurse from January 1, to December 31, 1950:

Nurse-Teacher Conferences	728
Nurse-Pupil Conferences	267
Children recommended for exclusion because of contagious disease, skin infection or pediculosis	5
Tested vision of all school children with Massachusetts Vision Equipment. Number of children referred to physician	48
Tested hearing of all school children with a pure tone audiometer. Number of children referred to physician	33

Assisted school physician with physical examination of all school children.

Sodium Fluoride treatments to decrease dental decay were offered for the first time, to all second grade children in the Westford schools. This program was sponsored by the Westford Board of Health, the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, and the State Health Department and was approved by the School Committee. Miss Barbara Desmond, Dental Hygienist, gave these treatments to eighty children. Fifty-eight of these children were found to be in need of dental care.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. HEALY, R. N.

REPORT OF PENMANSHIP SUPERVISOR

Mr. Peter Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Perry:

I am pleased to submit the following report on the operation of the handwriting program in your schools for the school year of 1949-50.

In the initial handwriting tests administered to your pupils in September 1940, 20% received a grade of "A" (Excellent); 8% received a grade of "B" (Good); and 72% were scored less than "B". In the tests administered in June 1950, 80% received a grade of "A"; 12.1% received a grade of "B"; and 7.9% scored less than "B". Handwriting certificates were awarded to 87% of your graduates.

During the school year we graded approximately 5700 formal and 17,000 informal handwriting samples for your pupils. A formal test was administered monthly and a report was furnished each teacher giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in her room.

We furnished the following instructional materials; monthly teachers' outlines, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, handedness tests, individual handwriting certificates for pupils who qualified, monthly and term envelopes, seals, etc.

My supervisors join with me in expressing our appreciation for the splendid cooperation we have received from you and your teachers at all times. We are very pleased with the results obtained in your schools.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. RINEHART
Director

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC AND ART

Mr. Peter Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

I herewith submit to you my annual report of the Music and Art programs in Westford.

The primary aims of these two activities should be, in my opinion, enjoyment, appreciation and the acquisition of basic skills, in that order. The foundation of this system is the association of these activities with each pupil's daily experience. It is only through the constant co-operation of your fine teachers that this system operates successfully.

In the area of Music, it is possible for the achievements of the lessons to culminate in programs and performances. While developing poise and confidence, this allies with dramatics, diction and dancing, and provides a motivating stimulus for learning.

We try to vary the Music program, and a toy orchestra in each of the first grades affords a lot of fun while teaching the fundamentals of rhythm. In the lower grades the children also enjoy rhythmic and creative games and activities. In grades three, four, and five listening to recordings and folk dancing provide variety. This gives us an opportunity to work outdoors in the Spring. The Junior High group works with an excellent selection of songs which correlate, in part, their Music and History-Geography study. An explanation of the functions of the Orchestra is included here. In Senior High School the weekly chorus classes sing a variety of folk, minstrel, college, show, old and new songs. The Boys' and Girls' Glee Club meet weekly and give a brief performance at Christmas time, and a Spring concert.

Throughout the first eight grades the Music books are complete and of excellent current selection. There is, however, a need for new Music material in the High School.

In the area of Art activity there is excellent work being done in the classes under the guidance of the teachers. The media used are crayon, chalk, paper cut-out, and paint. The aim of all Art work is to develop in each person a confidence in his and her creative ability. Never losing sight of the prime importance of self-expression, we introduce the basic principles of color, design, size, proportion, action and illustration as

they affect a current project. Anyone who has seen the wonderfully imaginative and original Art work which is produced by pupils from the youngest first graders to the oldest eighth graders will applaud the use of tempera paint. It is a vital means to many children by which they can express their own ideas.

May I extend my appreciation to you, to the principals, and to the teachers whose cooperation and assistance have been unfailing; to the parents and school committee whose support sponsors these activities; and to the students whose active participation contributes to my enjoyment of this work.

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA L. BENNETT

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1950-1951

Teachers' Meeting	September 5	
Fall Term	September 6 — December 22	74 days
Winter Term	January 2 — February 21	37 days
Spring Term	February 26 — April 17	36 days
Summer Term	April 23 — June 14	38 days
Total: 185 days		

Days omitted:

Columbus Day	October 12
Teachers' Convention	November 3
Thanksgiving Recess	November 23, 24
Good Friday	March 23
Memorial Day	May 30

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

The No-School Signal will be two blows of the fire alarm whistle repeated three times.

The above signal will be given at 7:10 A.M. unless icing conditions begin about that time, in which case the No-School Signal may be blown as late as 7:45 A.M.

The No-School announcement will be broadcast over stations WBZ, WLLH, and WLAW whenever possible.

It is the policy of the School Department to keep schools in sessions on all days during which it is safe for buses to be operated. The widely varying conditions in the several parts of Westford make it difficult to reach decisions equally fair to all. ON DAYS WHEN THE WEATHER CONDITION IS QUESTIONABLE, PARENTS ARE URGED TO EXERCISE THEIR OWN JUDGMENT AS TO THE WISDOM OF SENDING THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL.

Annual Report
OF THE
J. V. Fletcher Library
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,
1950

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY

January 1, 1951

The trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library respectfully submit their annual report for 1950, including the report of the librarian and the list of books added in 1950.

With the passing of Julian A. Cameron in 1949 the library lost a friend of many years standing, a member of the building committee in 1896 and a trustee for thirty-one years, whose interest and advice was always valued and appreciated.

Once again we record the death of a former trustee—that of Mr. Hugh F. Leith of Concord, who was connected with the Abbot Worsted Company and lived, when in Westford, in the house next to the Academy. In December 1904 Mr. Leith and Mr. Charles O. Prescott were appointed to fill vacancies caused by the deaths of William E. Frost and Dr. Joseph R. Draper, leaving Mrs. Catherine Kebler the sole member of the Board. He served until January 1906 when he resigned but was re-elected and served again from 1908 to 1909. In memory of Mr. Leith an arrangement of opening horse chestnut buds was placed in the Library. Pictures of J. V. Fletcher, Mr. Frost and Dr. Draper hang on the walls in the conversation room as well as a beautiful picture of the Bancroft-Wright house which stood on this site.

It seemed wise this year to acquire a new Reo Trim-a-lawn power mower for the use of the library exclusively. This has proved very acceptable to Mr. McAvinew.

Our library is becoming crowded. Many of the older books have been shelved in the attic so that they will be available to anyone studying old time literature. New wooden shelves will have to be placed on the wall of the stackroom another year. The children's room, originally planned for a reference room, became so crowded that it was necessary to install new shelving, making two little bays, which will help some for the time being.

The rooms on the upper floor need redecorating badly and must be done as soon as possible.

Westford with its population of 4,241 has an unusually well selected library for a town of its size and with its liberal policies its officials hope that it may become of service to every family in the community.

To carry on these repairs and the necessary work of the library and its branches the trustees ask for the following appropriation, viz.:

1. The sum of thirty-six hundred (\$3,600.00) dollars.
2. The receipts from the dog licenses in 1950.

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH, Chairman
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR
ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY FOR 1950

Salaries and wages:

Librarian	\$1,075.00
Janitor	520.00
Assistants	444.06

\$2,039.06

Books and periodicals:

Books	\$ 751.02
Periodicals	256.95

\$1,007.97

Fuel	536.22
Electricity	96.24

Building:

Water	\$ 18.00
Janitor's supplies	29.71
Repairs	67.45
Book cases	252.51
Lawn mower	167.35

\$ 535.02

Other expenses: ,

Telephone	\$ 49.65
Transportation of books	30.00
Stationery and postage	13.09
Miscellaneous	20.18

\$ 112.92

\$4,327.43

INCOME

Town appropriation	\$3,400.00
Receipts from dog licenses	921.58
Interest from funds	5.85

\$4,327.43

Receipts from fines	\$ 73.62
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REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

January 1, 1951

To the Trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library:

The librarian herewith submits her thirty-third annual report while the J. V. Fletcher Library entered its fifty-fifth year in the present building last June.

For ninety-two years the town library has endeavored to supply books for informational and educational as well as recreational purposes. Since formal education for the majority ceases at approximately eighteen years it is necessary that books be available on various subjects leading to an understanding of our history and democracy in order to provide an intelligent citizenship to combat the spread of fascism and communism. It is important that Russia's picture given in Pravda of the United States as "a nation of undisciplined and degenerate money-makers, dancing our way to political suicide" be disproved.

The circulation for the past year has again increased in both adult and juvenile departments. Aside from fiction the most popular groups are the Useful Arts (403 books), Biography (402), Fine Arts (371) and Travel (306). From the Division of Public Libraries we have borrowed various books needed by our readers, including some in the Swedish, Russian and Polish languages for those who find them easier to read than English.

The librarian is glad to report that more use has been made of Library Hall for holding meetings. In February the D. A. R. met here again. The Tadmuck Club study group met on January 25th to plan their program, ending the meeting with a book review of Pitkin's "Road to a Richer Life," by Mrs. Arthur G. Hildreth. On February 21, Rev. Henry Mattocks gave an account of his experiences in China to a group of 47. On March 21st there was a discussion on socialized medicine. The regional school plans were presented to a full house on October 3rd. On November 8th there was a discussion of the situation in Indonesia led by Mrs. Edna Carrier. The Educational Committee of the Tadmuck Club met here on May 18th. The Boy Scout leaders met here May 16 and 23. On November 9th the P. T. A. filled the hall to overflowing with a panel discussion on "What shall we teach our children?"

For some time overcrowded shelves have been a problem in the library. To help solve this condition several new bookcases have been added to the children's room and new shelving is planned for the stack-room.

Several exhibits were arranged in the Frost museum case—for January there were almanacs and old fashioned New Year greeting cards, followed by valentines in February. For the gardening season there were flower pictures and pod of a poinciana bean from Florida. With the outbreak of war in the Far East a group of dolls from Korea, China, and India were shown, and last was a Christmas exhibit of a manger scene and Swedish decorations.

Flowers have been provided by Mr. Arthur L. Hope, Miss Marian F. Winnek, Mrs. Wm. K. Budge, Mrs. W. Otis Day and Miss Alice M. Howard.

A number of years ago the Massachusetts Library Association drew up regulations for voluntary certification of libraries. These were granted to many, myself among them. Two years ago this became a state law, making Massachusetts one of the few states to put librarianship on a professional basis.

The American Library Association held at Cleveland in July was a most enjoyable and helpful meeting. The librarian also attended the meetings of the Merrimack Valley Association at South Lawrence on May 3rd and at Rowley on November 16th, the latter of which was also attended by two of the trustees, Miss Howard and Mr. Taylor.

On September 16 the librarian placed about 350 of her dolls on exhibition in library hall in connection with the annual church fair. As they aroused so much interest they were left there for the enjoyment of many others since then.

A few changes have been made in the list of magazines. All except current numbers may be borrowed for one week and the list for the coming year is as follows:

WEEKLIES

Geographic News Bulletin	News Week
Illustrated London News	Publishers' Weekly
Life	Saturday Evening Post
New York Times Book Review	Time

MONTHLIES

A. L. A. Booklist	Arizona Highways
American	Atlantic Monthly
American Girl	Better Homes and Gardens
American Home	Book Review Digest
American Photography	Boys' Life
Antiques	Coronet

Cosmopolitan
 Country Gentleman
 Etude
 Flying and Popular Aviation
 Fortune
 Good Housekeeping
 Grade Teacher
 Harper's Monthly
 Hobbies
 Holiday
 House Beautiful
 Instructor
 Jack and Jill
 Journal of Living
 Junior Natural History
 Ladies' Home Journal
 National Geographic

Natural History
 Nature
 Open Road
 Outdoor Life
 Parents' Magazine
 Popular Mechanics
 Popular Science Monthly
 Reader's Guide to Periodical
 Literature
 Reader's Digest
 School Arts
 Sport
 Today's Health
 Uncle Ray's Magazine
 United Nations World
 Wilson Bulletin
 Woman's Home Companion
 Yankee

BI-MONTHLY

Delta-gram Horn Book Popular Homecraft

SEMI-MONTHLY

Library Journal

QUARTERLIES

Old Time New England Subscription Books Bulletin

PERIODICALS GIVEN, 1950

Advance	From Woman's Guild
Automobile Facts	From Automobile Manufacturers Association
Bell Telephone Quarterly	From American Tel. & Tel. Co.
Book-of-the-Month Club News	From Book of the Month Club
Books, N. Y. Herald Tribune	From The Old Corner Book Store
Christian Register	From Woman's Guild
Christian Science Monitor	From Miss Mary E. Burbeck
Collier's	From Mrs. Wm. K. Budge
Coming Events in Britain	From British Travel Association
DuPont Magazine	From DuPont de Nemours Co.
Federation Topics	From The Tadmuck Club

Food Marketing
Harvester World

Journal of Calendar Reform
Life of the Soldier & Airman
McCall's
Mass. Educational News
Middlesex County Bulletin

National Grange Monthly
New England News Letter
New Hampshire Troubadour
New Yorker
Our Dumb Animals
Pemex Travel Club Bulletin
Steel Facts

Steelways
Tax Talk

This Week
United States News

From First National Stores
From International Harvester
Organization
From World Calendar Association
From War Department
From Mrs. Morris A. Hall
From Mass. Dept. of Education
From Middlesex County Extension
Service
From Westford Grange
From New England Council
From State of New Hampshire
From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey
From the Publishers
From Petroloes Mexicanos
From American Iron & Steel
Institute
From Am. Iron & Steel Institute
From Mass. Federation of Tax-
payers' Association
From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey
From Mrs. Henry W. Hildreth

NAMES OF DONORS, 1950

Bell, Mrs. Jessie—one volume.
Churchill, Dr. Alice Q.—9 volumes.
Chrysler Corporation—one volume.
Fletcher, Mrs. Arthur W.—7 volumes.
Fisher, John—2 volumes.
Hildreth, Mrs. Henry W.—7 volumes.
Lane, Mrs. Edgar—2 jig-saw puzzles.
Perrins, W. Arthur—3 volumes.
Reed, Ralph T., Pres. of American Express Co.—one volume.
Sargent, Miss Mary H.—10 volumes.
St. Onge, Miss Mona—10 volumes.
Standard Oil Co.—one volume.
Symmes, estate of Martha—account book, 1843.
Winnek, Miss Marian F.—8 volumes.

CIRCULATION

Total circulation of bound volumes	14,093
Volumes lent at Library	12,262
Volumes lent at Graniteville	805
Volumes lent at Forge Village	616
Volumes lent at Nabnasset	410
Circulation in children's department	6,107
Volumes lent thru schools	1,592
Volumes of foreign books loaned	94
Periodicals loaned	3,225
Pamphlets and clippings loaned	198
Pictures loaned	548
Jig-saw puzzles loaned	17
Adult non-fiction books loaned	2,544
Largest monthly circulation of bound volumes, August	1,153
Smallest monthly circulation, April	864
Largest daily circulation, September 21	161
Smallest daily circulation, January 21	21

ACCESSIONS

Volumes added by purchase	370
Volumes added by gift	40
Returned—previously reported missing	2
Total number added	412
Number of volumes discarded	95
Number of volumes in Library	20,382

AMOUNT OF FUNDS

Legacy of Stephen S. Stone	\$1,000.00
Legacy of Augustus K. Fletcher	1,000.00
Legacy of Mary M. Henarie, Laws Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of John M. Osgood	1,000.00
Legacy of Jennie Reed Wilkins	150.00
Legacy of Adeline T. Burbeck	500.00
Legacy of Albert E. Prescott	7,056.08
Legacy of William J. Burbeck	1,000.00
Legacy of Frederick A. Burbeck	1,000.00

REGULATIONS

The J. V. Fletcher Library is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays (legal holidays excepted) from 1:30 till 5, and from 6:30 till 9:00 P. M.

The Nabnasset deposit station at the Post Office in charge of Mrs. Edna G. MacLeod is open daily.

The Forge Village deposit station at the Merry Wood Gift Shop in charge of Mrs. Francis C. Wood is open daily.

New books of fiction can be kept only one week; but there may be one renewal. All other books may be kept four weeks. Renewals may be made by telephone or by postal. Telephone No. Westford 263.

No book shall be transferred, or acknowledged as returned, unless delivered to the librarian.

For each day that a book is kept beyond the prescribed time a fine of one cent is charged.

Borrowers finding books mutilated or defaced should report the fact to the librarian.

LIST OF BOOKS ADDED, 1950

CLASSIFIED BOOKS

Anderson, Maxwell—Elizabeth the queen	808.82 H
Baldwin, Monica—I leap over the wall	B B182
Barkins, Evelyn W.—The doctor has a family	818 B5
Barnes, Clare—White collar zoo	817 B1
Barrett, Thomas J.—Harnessing the earthworm	631.4 B
Baruch, Dorothy W.—New ways in discipline	649.1 B
Bauer, Ludwig—Leopold, the unloved	B L587
Beck, Lester F.—Human growth; story of how life begins	612.6 B
Bennett, Arnold—Journal, 1896-1928	B B470.1
Bigelow, Edwin S.—Lowell on the Merrimack	917.440 Lo
Bowen, Catherine D.—John Adams and the American Revolution	B A214.1
Bower, Ursula G.—Drums behind the hill	915.41 B
Bush, Vannevar—Modern arms and free men	355 B
Carhart, Arthur H.—Fresh water fishing	799.1 C
Cater, Ruth C.—Tree trails and hobbies	582.2 C
Christensen, Erwin O.—Index of American design	745 C1
Cobb, Hubbard—Your dream home for less than \$3500	728 C7
Commager, Henry S.—The American mind	917.3 C2

Count, Earl W.—4000 years of Christmas	394.268	CC
Cramer, Edith—Handbook of early American decoration	747.94	C
Crawford, Marion—The little princesses	920.7	C1
Crossman, Richard H. S.—The God that failed	335.4	C
Davidson, Morris—Painting for pleasure	751	D
Dunbar, Helen F.—Your child's mind and body	136.7	D2
Early, Eleanor—New York holiday	917.471	E
Eaton, Allen H.—Handicrafts of New England	745	E
Engels, Norbert—Man around the house	680	E
Ethridge, Willie S.—Going to Jerusalem	915.69	E
Fabricant, Noah D.—Headaches; what causes them; how to get relief	616.84	F
Fanning, Leonard M.—Our oil resources	553.28	F
Floherly, John J.—Five alarm; story of fire fighting	614.84	F
Watch your step	614.8	F
Flynn, John T.—Road ahead; America's creeping revolution	335	F
Frank, Mary H. and L. K.—How to help your child in school	136.7	F1
Frick, Bertha M.—Sears' list of subject headings	025	F
Garner, Jas. W. and Capen, L. I.—Our government	342.73	G
Geister, Edna—Fun-makers for small groups	793	G2
Gilbert, Virginia J.—Virginia reel	B	G466
Gilbreth, Frank and Carey, Ernestine—Belles on their toes	B	G4664.1
Gould, Franklin F.—A Maine man in the making	B	G696
Gould, Ralph E.—Yankee boyhood	B	G698
Hart, Virginia—The story of American roads	388.1	H
Harvey, Ruth W.—Curtain time	792	H1
Hatch, Alden—American express	385.2	H
Hauser, Gayelord—Look younger, live longer	612.39	H1
Hausman, Leon A.—Beginner's guide to fresh-water life	590	H3
Heyerdahl, Thor—Kon-Tiki; across the Pacific by raft	910.4	H4
Highet, Gilbert—The art of teaching	371.3	H
Hill, Frank E.—To meet Will Shakespeare	B	S527.6
Hogben, Lancelot T.—From cave painting to comic strip	709	H
Hokinson, Helen E.—The ladies, God bless 'em!	817	H6
Holbrook, Stewart H.—Yankee exodus	325.27	H
Hough, Henry B.—Once more the thunderer	B	H838.1
Howe, Quincy—World history of our own times; from the turn of the century to the 1918 Armistice	973.91	H
Jaeger, Ellsworth—Wildwood wisdom	796.5	J
Johnson, Irving and Harriet—Yankee's wander world	910.4	J2
Kasenkina, Oksana—Leap to freedom	B	K195
Kieran, John—Introduction to birds	598.2	K1
Kimball, Reginald S.—Practical mathematics	510	K
Kimbrough, Emily—The innocents from Indiana	818	K2
Korngold, Ralph—Two friends of man; Wendell Phillips and William Lloyd Garrison	923.6	K

Koues, Helen—Encyclopedia of decorating	747 K1
Lederer, William J.—All the ship's at sea	B L473
Lengyel, Emil—The Danube	914.96 L
Lipsett, Wm. J.—Ford owner's complete handbook of repair and maintenance	629.2 L
Lockridge, Frances and Richard—Cats and people	636.8 L
Lowrie, Drucella—Art of wrapping gifts	745.54 L
MacDonald, Betty—Anybody can do anything	B M1347
McKenny, Ruth—Love story	B M155
McGillicuddy, Cornelius—Connie Mack's baseball book	796.357 M
Maclean, Fitzroy—Escape to adventure	B M163
Mitchell, Edwin V.—Romance of New England antiques	745 M
Moley, Raymond—27 masters of politics in a personal per- spective	923.27 M
Moody, Ralph—Little Britches; father and I were ranchers	917.88 M
Moore, Olga—I'll meet you in the lobby	B M823
Morgan, Alfred P.—Home electrical repairs	621.3 M
Oursler, Fulton—Why I know there is a God	231 O
Packard, Vance O.—Animal I Q; the human side of animals	591.51 P
Palestrant, Simon S.—Practical papercraft; over 400 useful and decorative projects	745.54 P
Peale, Norman Vincent—Art of real happiness	258 P1
Pearson, Haydn S.—That darned minister's son	B P361
Poling, Daniel A.—Faith is power	264.1 P
Polkinghorne, R. K.—Toy making in home and school	680 P10
Popular Mechanics magazine—Money-making hobbies	745 P1
Complete book of home repair and improvements	643.7 P
Rich, Louise D.—My neck of the woods	917.41 R4
Richmond, Leonard and Littlejohns, John—Technique of water- colour painting	751 R
Richter, Herbert P.—Practical electricity and house wiring	621.32 R
Rohde, Peggy A.—Making built-in furniture	684 R1
Rose, Anna P.—Room for one more	818 R8
Rusinoff, Samuel E.—Mathematics for industry	510 R
Siringo, Charles A.—A Texas cowboy	917.64 S
Skinner, Cornelia O.—Nuts in May	817 S6
Smith, Hannah M.—For heaven's sake	B S649
Smith, Walter B.—My three years in Moscow	947.084 S1
Sneed, James R.—How to live effectively	248 S3
Snow, Edward R.—Secrets of the North Atlantic islands	910.4 S3
Sockman, Ralph W.—Higher happiness	226.2 S
Spence, Hartzell—Happily ever after	B S743
Staples, Frank A.—Water color painting is fun	751 S
Stark, Freya M.—Southern gates of Arabia	915.3 S1
Stearns, Martha G.—Needle in hand	746.4 S1
Stix, Thomas L.—Slightly overdrawn, cartoons about banks	741.5 S

Strain, Frances B.—Being born	612.6 S3
Sussman, Aaron—Amateur photographer's handbook	770 S
Terhune, Florence B.—Decorating for you	747 T
Thane, Elswyth—Reluctant farmer	630.1 T
Tharp, Louise H.—The Peabody sisters of Salem	B P350
Trapp, Maria A.—Story of the Trapp family singers	B T774
U. S.—Commission on Organization of Executive Branch of Gov- ernment—Hoover commission report	353 U1
VanDoren, Dorothy G.—The country wife	630.1 V6
Walker, Curtis H.—Eleanor of Aquitaine	B E385
Walker, Turnley—Rise up and walk	616.83 W
Waring, Janet—Early American stencil decorations	747.94 W
Webster, Isabel—How to make money at home	371.425 W
Wector, Dixon—When Johnny comes marching home	355.115 W
Westley, William—Chimp on my shoulder	916.75 W
Who Was Who in America: biographies of the non-living from 1897-1950 2 vol.	920.07 W2
Williams, Eric E.—The wooden horse	940.54724 W
Williams, James H.—Elephant Bill	599.61 W
Woodbury, George—The story of a Stanley steamer	629.2 W1
Yates, Raymond F.—Antique fakes and their detection	749 Y1
Zim, Herbert S. and Martin, A. C.—Flowers, a guide	582.1 Z

FICTION

Annixter, Paul—Swiftwater	A 615.2
Baldwin, Faith—Look out for Liza	B 181.13
Barber, Elsie O.—Hunt for heaven	B 233.3
Beach, Rex—Rainbow's end	B 365.9
Bellairs, George—Death on the last train	B 436.3
Bird, Brandon, pseud.—Death in four colors	B 618.2
Bonett, John and Emery, pseud.—Dead lion	B 7125.2
Bramhall, Marion—Murder is contagious	B 815.4
Brand, Max, pseud.—Longhorn feud	B 817.13
Brean, Herbert—Hardly a man is now alive	B 828.2
Bristow, Gwen—Jubilee trail	B 861.12
Bro, Marguerite H.—Sarah	B 863.2
Bronson, Francis W.—Bulldog has the key	B 870.2
Cadell, Elizabeth—Brimstone in the garden	C 122.5
Cameron, Owen—The owl and the pussycat	C 1824.2
Campbell, Grace M.—The tower and the town	C 188.4
Carey, Bernice—Reluctant murderer	C 273.2
Carroll, Curt—The golden herd	C 3188.2
Carroll, Gladys H.—Christmas without Johnny	C 319.10
Chapman, Maristan—Rogue's march	C 466.6

Chatterton, Ruth—Homeward borne	C 495.2
Cheavens, Martha—Crosswinds	C 514.2
Coatsworth, Elizabeth J.—The captain's daughter	C 652.4
Collins, Mary G.—Dog eat dog	C 7124.3
Cooper, Louise F.—Boys from Sharon	C 7776.3
Costain, Thomas B.—Son of a hundred kings	C 838.7
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Respectfully submitted,

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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD

Town Clerk

Charles L. Hildreth Term expires March, 1954

Selectmen

Edward F. Harrington, Secretary Term expires March, 1952

Cyril A. Blaney, Chairman Term expires March, 1953

Thomas W. Gower Term expires March, 1954

Assessors

John J. O'Connell Term expires March, 1952

Norman K. Nesmith Term expires March, 1953

Carroll J. Rollins, Chairman Term expires March, 1954

Board of Public Welfare

Reginald Blowey, Chairman Term expires March, 1952

William L. Wall, Secretary Term expires March, 1953

Samuel A. Richards, Term expires March, 1954

Treasurer

Charlotte P. Greig Term expires March, 1953

Collector of Taxes

David I. Olsson Term expires March, 1953

Moderator

Ben W. Drew Term expires March, 1954

Constable

John F. Sullivan Term expires March, 1953

School Committee

Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman Term expires March, 1952

Edgar S. Peterson Term expires March, 1952

F. Stanley Smith, Secretary Term expires March, 1953

Robert J. Heman Term expires March, 1953

Clifford J. Courchaine Term expires March, 1954

Edward N. Lamson Term expires March, 1954

Trustees of J. V. Fletcher Library

William C. Roudenbush, Chairman Term expires March, 1952

Alice M. Howard, Secretary Term expires March, 1953

William R. Taylor Term expires March, 1954

Librarian

May E. Day

Board of Cemetery Commissioners

Axel G. Lundberg	Term expires March, 1952
Sebastian B. Watson, Chairman	Term expires March, 1953
Albert A. Hildreth	Term expires March, 1954

Board of Health

Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Secretary	Term expires March, 1952
Ralph E. Cole, M.D.	Term expires March, 1953
Dwight W. Cowles, M.D., Secretary	Term expires March, 1954

Agents of Board of Health

Albert A. Hildreth, Agent
Dorothy A. Healy, R.N., Agent, Public Health Nurse and Agent
Charles L. Hildreth, Agent to issue Burial Permits
Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Inspector of Dairies
Charles A. Blodgett, Inspector of Slaughtering and Animals
Stanton Garfield, M.D., Agent
Henry T. Smith, Milk and Sanitary Inspector
Wayman Peterson, Milk and Sanitary Inspector

Tree Warden

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick	Term expires March, 1952
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Superintendent of Moth Department

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick, appointed by Selectmen

Director of Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics

William R. Taylor

Finance Committee

W. Otis Day	Term expires March, 1952
Victor B. Daly	Term expires March, 1952
E. Kent Allen, Chairman	Term expires March, 1953
Herford N. Elliott	Term expires March, 1953
Albert G. Forty, Secretary	Term expires March, 1954
Allister F. MacDougall	Term expires March, 1954

Committee in Charge of Whitney Playground

John S. Greig

Moses L. Fecteau

Leon F. Hildreth

Special Town Forest Committee

William E. Wright	Term expires March, 1952
Edwin H. Gould	Term expires March, 1953
Fred R. Blodgett	Term expires March, 1954

Registrars of Voters

Norman E. Day	Term expires March, 1952
Paul L. Dunigan	Term expires March, 1953
James J. McKniff	Term expires March, 1954

Charles L. Hildreth, Clerk Ex-Officio

Precinct Officers

Precinct 1.—Warden, Albert A. Hildreth (R); Deputy Warden, H. Arnold Wilder (R); Clerk, Edward T. Sullivan (D); Deputy Clerk, Robert J. Spinner (D); Inspector, T. Arthur E. Wilson (R); William K. Carver (R); Gertrude A. McGrath (D); James Basinas (D); Deputy Inspectors, W. Arthur Perrin (R); Howard H. Ferguson (R); Albert E. Vickers (D); Louis F. Oliver (D).

Precinct 2.—Warden, John E. Connolly (D); Deputy Warden, John W. Spinner (D); Clerk, Alfred T. W. Prinn (R); Deputy Clerk, William L. Wall (R); Inspectors, Charles A. Blodgett (R); Roy E. Blanchard (R); Roland J. Cote (D); Raymond A. Wall (D); Deputy Inspectors, Walter N. Fletcher (R); Howard V. Anderson (R); Clifford G. Carpentier (D); James H. Payne (D).

Precinct 3.—Warden, Nicholas V. Basinas (D); Deputy Warden, Edward L. Dailey (D); Clerk, Harlan E. Knowlton (R); Deputy Clerk, William W. Gilson (R); Inspectors, Swan G. Swanson (R); Julia E. Knowlton (R); Eileen R. McGlinchey (D); Ruth A. Sundberg (D); Deputy Inspectors, Umberto P. Colarusso (R); Alice E. Whitcomb (R); Robert V. Cassidy (D); Eva A. DeForge (D).

Precinct 4.—Warden, Frank P. Shugrue (D); Deputy Warden, Arthur Cooney (D); Clerk, Leslie N. Athorn (R); Deputy Clerk, Kenneth E. DeLaHaye (R); Inspectors, James Kelly, Jr. (D); Leo P. Connolly (D); Reginald Blowey (R); Philip Lord (R); Deputy Inspectors, Richard Lyons (D); Albert F. Hobson (D); Arthur T. Green-slade (R); Albert E. Mountain (R).

Note—(R) Republican; (D) Democrat.

Chief of Police

John F. Sullivan

Regular Police Officer

John L. Connell

Dog Officers

John F. Sullivan

John L. Connell

Special Police Officers

Arthur A. Abbood
Allan Adams
Gregory G. Beskalo, Jr.
Harold Blease
Charles A. Blodgett
Reginald Blowey
Elmer P. Brown
Lawrence J. Charlton
Eliot P. Clark
Leo J. Connell
John E. Connolly
Thomas Curley
Arthur F. Daly
Arthur J. Deforge
Theodore J. Doucette
Charles Flanagan
John F. Gagnon
John H. Gantzel
Wilfred Gelinas
Winslow P. George
George S. Gervais
Donald H. Hall
Richard W. Hall
J. Austin Healy
William B. Horton
Ralph J. Hulslander
Arthur Lamy
Robert Locke

Charles A. Lorman
Frederick Martin
Thomas McGrath
Everett E. Miller
Edward A. Moss
Carl R. Nylund
John J. O'Connell
Louis F. Oliver
Robert J. Orr
Edmund F. Pendlebury
W. Arthur Perrins
E. William Randall
Hubert V. Raymond
George Reeves
Uledge Ricard
Paul Ricciardi
William Robinson
Edmund D. Rogers
Maurice B. Rooks
Winthrop W. Sargent
Frederick Schill
Robert J. Spinner
Edward J. St. Onge
Edward T. Sullivan
William L. Wall
Winfred Whitton
Alexander M. Woznac
Harold E. Wright

Police Woman

Dorothy A. Healy, R.N.

Superintendent of Streets

J. Austin Healy

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Albert A. Hildreth

Inspector of Animals

Charles A. Blodgett

Inspector of Buildings

Edmund D. Rogers

Forest Warden

Leo R. Larkin

Engineers of the Fire Department

Richard W. Hall, Clerk

Edmund D. Rogers, Chief

Harold E. Wright, Assistant Chief

Town Accountant and Clerk of Board of Selectmen

Dana Fletcher

Soldiers' Relief Agent

Dana Fletcher

Director of Veterans' Services

Arthur A. Abbood

Agent for Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors

Arthur T. Greenslade

Superintendent of Westford Infirmary

Maurice B. Rooks

Keeper of the Lockup

Maurice B. Rooks

Janitor of Town House

Edward T. Sullivan

Janitor of Library Building

James E. McAviney

Caretaker of Common

Thomas Curley

Town Counsel

Edward L. Monahan

Fence Viewers

Charles A. Blodgett

Marden H. Seavey

Edwin H. Gould

Field Drivers

Robert Abreu

Walter Nyder

Roger Brule

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Charles A. Blodgett

Edwin H. Gould

Fred W. Burnham

J. Austin Healy

Edmund L. Provost

Weighers of General Commodities

John J. Buchanan

J. Austin Healy, Jr.

Arthur L. Healy

James J. Healy

J. Austin Healy

John Shea, Jr.

Harold W. Stewart

Weighers of Textile Commodities

Harold R. Anderson	Clifford Jones
Willard W. Beebe	Mary P. Lord
Anthony R. Bohenko	Edward F. McLenna
Albert J. Burne	Irene J. Menard
Edwin L. Burne	Rameo Milot
J. Clarence Burne	Ellen A. Oldham
Annie H. Daly	Robert J. Orr, Jr.
Victor B. Daly	Grace E. Pulsifer
Kenneth E. De La Haye	William E. Robinson
Austin D. Fletcher	Winthrop W. Sargent
Frank Gagnon	George Sedach
Eleanor M. Haley	John W. Shackleton
George M. Haley	Irene Szylyvian
Helen R. Hartley	Lillian Walsh
John Zelukiewicz	

Weighers of Granite

Lincoln Dexter	Ralph C. Harmon
Frank Greenwood	Ralph Haberman, Jr.

School Planning Committee

Appointed by Moderator under Article 1 of Annual Town Meeting held March 10, 1951.

Edward M. Abbot	James L. Healy
Frederick W. Gatenby	Edward N. Lamson
Edward G. Spinner	

Tax Title Property Committee

Appointed by Moderator for one year.

Herford N. Elliot	Edward F. Harrington	Albert A. Newick
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Housing Authority Elected

*John D. Chandler	Term Expires March 1952
Felix R. Perrault	Term Expires March 1953
William L. Wall	Term Expires March 1954
Albert J. Burne	Term Expires March 1955
Charles Kibby	Term Expires March 1956

*Appointed by State Board.

NOTE—The law requires that certain officers, including Measurers and Weighers, in order to qualify as such officers, be sworn in and a record of their oath be filed with the Town Clerk.

Assistant Town Clerk

Alice A. Hildreth

BIRTHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford, 1951

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Oct. 22	Abreu, Cathleen Ann	Robert A. and Vera A. (Burton)
Dec. 3	Alton, Philip Raymond	Arthur E. and Florence A. (Cook)
Jan. 2	Autino, Linda Hope	Mario J. and Doris M. (Milot)
Sept. 7	Basinas, Elizabeth Dana	James V. and R. Carolyn (Porter)
May 7	Beebe, Paul Richard	Willard W. and Dolores V. (Milot)
Sept. 17	Bellida, Deborah	Andrew H. and Barbara (Haley)
Jan. 5	Britt, Bonnie Ruth	Jarrett L. and Barbara R. (Sleeper)
May 11	Brule, Nancy Jean	Roger J. and Dorothy F. (Shea)
Nov. 21	Buckley, Gerald Bernard	Gerald B. and Barbara A. (Landry)
Nov. 12	Bunker, Frances Elizabeth	Louis F. and Rita D. (Pommenville)
Apr. 30	Burnham, David Michael	David A. and Virginia D. (Hosmer)
Dec. 24	Caron	Raymond and Beatrice (Dubois)
Oct. 6	Cassidy, Paul Arthur	Robert V. and Rita (LaBelle)
Oct. 16	Cayford, Frederick Clement	Frederick C. and Beulah V. (Edwards)
Dec. 28	Chambers, Candace Jean	Edward F. Jr. and Mary L. (Scribner)
Jan. 13	Comeau, Jean Frances	Eugene W. and Teresa G. (Wild)
July 31	Connell, Steven Harold	Robert and Marjorie A. (Smith)
Oct. 21	Cote, Diane Lee	Norman A. and Nancy (Paduano)
Oct. 11	Curdy, Brian Edward	Vinet I. and Lucille (Cain)
May 14	Davis, Roy Butterfield, Jr.	Roy B. and Karla E. (Emerton)
Oct. 3	Davis, Wayne Allen	William J. and Phyllis V. (Pulsifer)
Feb. 21	Deforge, Richard Albert	Arthur J. and Eva A. (Johnson)
May 2	DeGagne, Jane Marie	Samuel J. and Simonne J. (Barsalou)
Sept. 2	Dennechuk, Peter	Peter and Dora (Wolkowich)
Sept. 15	Dower, Brian Gavin	Raymond S. and Carolyn (Denoncour)
Aug. 5	Dundas, Dennis James	David J. and Rita L. (Cote)
Mar. 19	Dundas, Karen Lee	John A. and Theresa M. (Desrosier)
Apr. 30	Elliott, James Michael	George E. and Theresa M. (Canton)
May 20	Elliott, Richard Kevin	Lawrence C. and Shirley A. (Canton)
June 1	Erickson, David Edwin	Arthur R. and Doris I. (Lecasseur)
Dec. 6	Flanagan, Gary William	Charles and Doris (Langlois)
Oct. 12	Fletcher, George Thomas	Walter W. and Dorothy M. (Cockerline)
Sept. 25	Fletcher, Kenneth Dana	Austin D. and Muriel E. (Johnson)

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Jan. 27	Gagnon, Carol Ann	Alfred and Gladys (Pellerin)
July 15	Gibbons, Jane	James W. and Regina (Belida)
Mar. 10	Gross, Sherilyn Audrey	Robert G. and Audrey L. (Anderson)
Mar. 12	Guarino, Christopher John	John R. and Mary K. (Paff)
Apr. 1	Hall, Sarah DeLong	David K. and Marilyn J. (Fenton)
May 26	Harper, David Francis	Wesley M. and Katherine M. (Delaney)
Feb. 20	Hartley, Daniel Joseph	Daniel J. and Shirley R. (Hedlund)
Jan. 10	Healy, Joanne Eileen	James L. and Cecilia (Ward)
Dec. 9	Healy, Susan Lee	John A. and Louise (Smith)
June 3	Heighes, Nancy Eileen	Clifford and Gertrude E. (Hird)
Jan. 30	Hepburn, Harold John	Robert C. and Shirley M. (Hotaling)
Nov. 11	Hodgdon, Ronald	Ivan M. and Helen T. (Moran)
Dec. 31	Isabelle, Susan Dorianna Mary	Aime A. and Jeanne D. (Drolet)
Dec. 19	Jarvis, Lloyd Olin	Olin and Mary R. (Cote)
Sept. 2	Jelley, Elizabeth	Harold P. and Rita J. (Nadolny)
Sept. 15	Joy, Robert Alan	Robert F. and Doris G. (Lamy)
Sept. 15	Kaplan, Paul Michael	Samuel G. and Gladys G. (Levy)
Nov. 25	Lamy, Joseph Wilfrid Fernand	J. Napoleon and M. C. Jacqueline (Degagne)
Oct. 6	Lamy, Norman Robert	J. Arthur R. A. and Jeanette (Boisvert)
Mar. 31	Lapworth, Warren Noble	Warren N. and Helen E. (Bishop)
Apr. 17	Loeffler, Kenneth Paul	Frederick and Bernadette (Barsalov)
Aug. 16	Maslbias, Eileen Mary	Stanley J. and Bertha M. (Landry)
May 27	McLaughlin, Nancy Anne	Albert J. and Dorothy (Taylor)
Oct. 15	Menard, Diane Rose	Henry J. and Theresa O. (Byron)
Mar. 19	Mountain, Edward Percy	Edward P. and Muriel E. F. (Simpson)
June 3	Mungovan, Robert Joseph	James W. and Marie J. (Parmentier)
Mar. 11	Munroe, Paul Ralph	Howard T. and Agnes M. (LaFontaine)
Dec. 12	Murphy, Darren Joseph	John W. and Henrietta A. (Hill)
Sept. 6	Nyder, Dale Edward	Walter and Pearl V. (Lefebvre)
Nov. 7	Page, Richard Gerard Joseph	Gerard J. and Muriel (Bergeron)
Mar. 2	Palmer, Jill	Roger A. and Virginia V. (Sullivan)
Aug. 24	Palmer John	Warren R. and Beatrice (Kristoff)
Nov. 17	Pfluke, Susan Patricia	Edward W. and Lorna H. (Appleby)
Apr. 2	Pomerleau, Judith Ann	Arthur J. and Dorothy M. (Gagnon)

Date of Birth	NAME	PARENTS
Nov. 9	Prescott, Nancy Ann	Philip T. and Ada E. (Carlson)
Apr. 27	Ricard, Gail Ann	Albert J. and Gloria D. (Milot)
Aug. 5	Robinson, Cynthia Lee	Donald F. and Constance M. (Peabody)
June 7	Sachovich, Jane Marie	Walter and Evelyn V. (Ward)
Jan. 3	Shack, Lynn Marie	Mark F. and Beverly (Blakely)
Apr. 23	Sienkiewicz, Martin James	Chester J. and Eileen M. (Elmer)
Sept. 13	Standbridge, Pamela Lee	Douglas M. and Janice L. (Hessler)
Mar. 7	Stone, Deborah Jean	William F. and Charlotte L. (Fletcher)
Aug. 6	Swanson, Shirley Kay	Varnum H. and Marion (Johnstone)
Mar. 18	Sylvester, Joseph Paul	Charles W. and Shirley U. (Taylor)
Sept. 14	Teague, Marea Noreen	John J. and M. Kathleen (Kelly)
Sept. 29	Terenzio, Peter Ralph	Ralph A. and Marie (Carboni)
Sept. 21	Tousignant, Maureen May	Adelard A. and Alice C. (Rivetts)
Dec. 12	Turner, Donald John	Donald J. and Gloria E. (Foster)
Aug. 12	Valcourt, Suzanne Marie	Eugene J. and Adrienne (Gervais)
Apr. 8	Visnaskas, John Anthony	John A. and Mary C. (McLaughlin)
Dec. 11	Wheeler, Robert Earl	James A. and Mary J. (Walsh)
Dec. 9	Whitney	Donald A. and Virginia R. (Smith)
Feb. 27	Wilson, David Arthur	Raymond S. and Alice E. (Vickers)
Apr. 12	Zelukiewicz, Janet Mary	John J. and Rena (Lamy)

Males 47; Females 40; Total Number Recorded 87.

MARRIAGES

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford, 1951

Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
Dec. 1	Antonelli, John Thomas Jr.	21	Westford	Chelsea
	Charette, Dorothy Mary	19	Dracut	Lowell
July 21	Antonelli, Louis	26	Westford	Chelsea
	Bernard, Theresa Claire	21	Chelmsford	Willimantic, Conn.
Oct. 13	Barretto, Gene Modeste	22	Westford	Westford
	Sullivan, Veronica Patricia	22	Westford	Lowell
Aug. 4	Beaulieu, Henry Phillip	26	Nashua, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
	Sullivan, Mary Josephine	22	Westford	Lowell
Dec. 29	Bickley, Charles Edward	28	Waltham	Waltham
	Harris, Beverly Joan	17	Westford	Waltham
Aug. 25	Blowey, Norman Joseph	20	Groton	Westford
	Stone, Ellen Lorraine	21	Westford	Westford
May 19	Brule, Laurent Joseph	23	Westford	Westford
	LeBleu, Dorothy Bertha	23	Lowell	Lowell
Jan. 1	Bunker, Louis Foster	47	Westford	Lincoln
	Richard, Rita Doris		Westford	Pawtucket, R. I.
	(Pommenville)	32		
Feb. 17	Caraganis, George L.	33	Dracut	Dracut
	Kearns Anne	32	Dracut	Lowell
June 17	Charlton, Wesley Gordon	25	Westford	Westford
	Horne, Winifred May	23	Tyngsboro	Lowell
Feb. 3	Cinsavich, Andrew	28	Westford	Westford
	Lieber, Katherine	26	Rome, N. Y.	Rome, N. Y.
Sept. 26	Cobb, Wallace Albert Jr.	68	Westford	Orange
	Chantler, Helen Ann (Sneider)	66	Westford	Albany N. Y.
Jan. 20	Cole, Stanley Richard	21	Westford	Mass.
	Durivage, Deborah	19	Nashua, N. H.	Nashua, N. H.
June 6	Cooney, Wilfred Jr.	25	Westford	Westford
	Garafoli, Viola Mary	26	Clinton	Clinton
Feb. 3	Costello, Thomas Joseph	24	Westford	Westford
	Bixby, Eleanor Ruth	26	Everett	Ashburnham
Sept. 1	Decato, Raymond Stanley	31	Westford	Lowell
	Wasileuskas, Mildred Carolyn		Westford	Westford
	(Leclerc)	38		
June 10	Delaney, Francis Lawrence	22	Westford	Westford
	Dooley, Rita Elizabeth	26	Chelmsford	Lynn
Apr. 14	Gower, Thomas William Jr.	24	Westford	Lowell
	Kelly, Marea Roberta	24	Westford	Lowell
Apr. 14	Greenhalgh, John Herbert	23	Westford	Lowell
	Fletcher, Barbara Ann	19	Westford	Westford

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
June 23	Johnson, Harry Carl, Jr.	22	Westford	Lowell
	MacQuarrie, Julia Mae	18	Westford	Westford
Jan. 20	Joy, Robert Francis	20	Ayer	Ayer
	Lamy, Doris Georgette	20	Westford	Westford
Mar. 25	Koronis, Andreas Peter	27	Ayer	Ayer
	Roux, Gabrielle	17	Groton	Westford
June 30	Kowal, Walter John	27	Hinsdale, N. H.	Hinsdale, N. H.
	Brown, Mary Ann	24	Westford	Westford
July 14	Labbe, Noe Robert Jr.	20	Westford	Lowell
	Piccadaci, Rose Marie	27	Boston	Boston
Sept. 29	Lang, Gordon Wayne	19	Seattle, Wash.	Yakima, Wash.
	Byron, Cecile Florida	19	Westford	Westford
June 18	Lavalley, Francis Leo	51	Westford	Pepperell
	Warmouth, Meltha Elizabeth	41	Edwardsville, Pa.	Larksville, Pa.
Feb. 11	LeFebre, Robert Paul	23	Westford	Westford
	Grenon, Pauline Annette	21	Lowell	Dracut
Mar. 31	Levesque, Robert Edmond	21	Dracut	Lowell
	Sullivan, Catherine Agnes	20	Westford	Lowell
June 30	MacDougall, Stephen Comins	26	Westford	Waltham
	Burne, Shirley Elizabeth	23	Westford	Ayer
Oct. 27	Marabello, Anthony John	25	Concord	Concord
	Connell, Marion Kathleen	23	Westford	Westford
May 5	Marcouillier, Leonell Joseph	20	Groton	Lowell
	Young, Barbara Kathleen	19	Westford	Lowell
Apr. 27	Maslin, Albert James Jr.	22	Billerica	Somerville
	Guolla, Victoria Antoinette	29	Westford	Westford
Aug. 12	McCloskey, John Warren	21	Houlton, Me.	Portland, Me.
	Chandonait, Joan Marie	20	Westford	Waltham
Nov. 17	McDowell, Henry Arthur	19	Ayer	Ayer
	Pellerin, Denise	21	Westford	Westford
Aug. 11	McKniff, Thomas Joseph	27	Westford	Westford
	Houlihan, Ann Marie	25	Brighton	Brighton
Dec. 14	McNeil, Francis Clifton	41	Lowell	Boston
	Romanowsky, Lucy Mary	41	Westford	Lowell
Sept. 29	McNiff, Edward Lawrence	22	Groton	Groton
	Milot, Jean Marie	18	Westford	Lowell
July 28	Millson, Donald Berton	23	Ayer	Ayer
	Sinton, Phyllis Florence	21	Westford	Monroe, Mich.
Nov. 11	Panneton, Roland Joseph	26	Westford	Westford
	Millett, Dorothy Mary	28	Hudson	Hudson
Apr. 13	Paris, Jack Newton	21	Gettysburg, Pa.	Kansas City, Mo.
	Dubey, Irene Agnes	17	Westford	Westford

Date of Marriage	Name	Age	Residence	Birthplace
June 30	Perkins, Donald Joseph	17	Westford	Westford
	Urbanowicz, Marcella	16	Lowell	Lowell
Apr. 7	Picking, Prescott Corliss	49	Westford	Lowell
	Stearns, Phyllis Louise	30	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
May 13	Provost, Claude	19	Westford	Westford
	Poirier, Jeannine	20	Lowell	Lowell
Nov. 3	Roach, Charles Hugh Jr.	23	Jonesboro, Ark.	Truman, Ark.
	Wajda, Phyllis Rita	22	Westford	Dracut
Sept. 1	Roberts, Fred Smith	26	Littleton	Harvard
	Wilson, Joan Ellen	18	Westford	Woonsocket, R. I.
Nov. 18	Shea, Lawrence Ingalls	20	Westford	Lowell
	Davis, Marjorie Patricia	20	Dunstable	Lowell
Oct. 21	Smith, David Richard, Jr.	25	Madison, Me.	Portsmouth, N. H.
	March, Shirley Claire	22	Westford	Cambridge
Aug. 19	Smith, George Carleton	31	Westford	Stoneham
	Quimby, Olive Lillian	28	Beverly	Beverly
June 2	Stander, James Roland	24	Bedford	New Bedford
	Holmes, Elizabeth Ellen	21	Westford	Westford
Jan. 6	Sudak, Fred	22	Westford	Lowell
	Frasca, Clementina	24	Revere	Chelsea
Sept. 1	Trubey, Donald Edward	25	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Hayes, Mary Theresa	20	Westford	Lowell
Nov. 10	Voropay, Nicholas	32	Westford	Methuen
	Hanson, Carol Mary	22	Westford	Westford
Oct. 6	Woitowicz, Florian	29	Westford	Westford
	Brule, Jeannette Mary	29	Westford	Westford
Feb. 24	Young, Norman Herbert Jr.	24	Westford	Lowell
	Randall, Beverly June	20	Westford	Lowell

Total Number Recorded: 54.

DEATHS

Recorded by the Town Clerk of Westford, 1951

Date of Death	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Apr. 10	Aspelin Frans—husband of Blanche (Chevalier) ..	52	11	2
Jan. 1	Atwood Mary	90	8	8
July 21	Bellemore, Arthur Joseph—husband of Evelyn (Labbe)	50		20
June 4	Berard, Joseph Louis—husband of Jeanne (Carrignan)	48	11	6
Feb. 18	Browne, Bertha May (Carter)—widow of Walter S.	71	2	9
Nov. 5	Doucette, Ludger	72		
Jan. 14	Dubinski, Joseph P.—husband of Mary (Ivanauskas)	63		
Sept. 13	Dumont, Marie Ann (Beaudette)—wife of Ernest	55	4	27
Oct. 15	Edgar, James—husband of Ophelia M.	78		
Aug. 20	Forson, Annie (Precknik)—wife of Anthony	70		
Dec. 30	George, Dolphine (Therault)—widow of Frank	60	11	6
Aug. 13	Hall, Frances Isabelle (Jouett)—wife of Morris A.	81	7	13
Apr. 3	Hanley, Mary F.	82	5	18
Nov. 27	Harrington, Mary Alice	80	11	17
Apr. 6	Jarvis, Everett Paul—husband of Florence (Blaisdell)	75	6	4
Mar. 24	Kazeniac, Alexandria (Maskiewicz)—wife of Stanley	62		
June 8	Lawrence, Edith G. (Richardson)—widow of Sumner B.	78	9	7
Oct. 24	Leclerc, Joseph Adrian—husband of Eugenie (Pare)	69		18
Feb. 26	Lowther, Francis	83	10	28
Sept. 3	Mason, John—widower of Annie (Gilroy)	64		
July 7	Massicotte, Jacques	22	11	10
Feb. 5	May, Thomas E.—husband of Elizabeth (Kelly)	63	10	15
Aug. 10	Oldham, Ellen Ann	63	3	21
July 27	Oliver, Rachel (Oliver)—wife of Joseph	73		
Apr. 28	O'Neill, Bridget (O'Hara)—widow of John P.	82	5	23
Aug. 11	Orblonis, Joseph Sylvester	14		
Feb. 17	Pickup, Thomas W.—widower of Clara M. (Maillard)	80	6	14
Feb. 24	Porter, Mary Virginia (Carter) wife of Clarence Owen	34	8	28

Date of Death	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Dec. 28	Sienkewicz, John—husband of Bronislawa (Puczilowska)	64	11	28
Feb. 21	Smith, David H.—husband of Elva B. (Walker)	73	10	11
May 23	Smith, Gertrude (Faulkner)—wife of George E.	57	6	5
May 8	Spalding, Fannie Bethiah (Prescott)—widow of Oscar Richardson	78	10	
Nov. 26	Thompson, Mary Agnes	60		3
Feb. 23	Wasileuskas, Jon Roland	4	10	6
Mar. 18	Whidden, Walter A.—husband of Bessie (Parker)	81	3	16
Jan. 13	Whitney, Graham	5	1	1
July 19	Whitney, Harry Gordon—husband of Ellen (Lundstrom)	33	6	15
Feb. 15	Whitney, Sarah (Gray)—widow of Julian A.	91	1	8
Jan. 8	Wright, Charles	31	2	2

	Male	Female	Total
Total Number Recorded	21	19	40
Deaths in Westford	11	9	20
Residents of Westford	18	19	37

NOTE

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the foregoing reports of births, marriages and deaths and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be discerned therein, so that the records may be corrected. An error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition under oath made by one who is required by law, to furnish the information for the original record or by one or more creditable persons having knowledge of the case.

(See General Laws, Chapter 46, Section 13 as amended.)

Births occurring late in the year are sometimes returned without the Christian name. In such cases parents should return the name to the Town Clerk as soon as selected, as incompleteness of the record may occasion trouble in the future.

Attention is particularly called to the following extracts from the General Laws:

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46

Section 1. Each city and town clerk shall receive or obtain and record * * * facts relative to the births * * * in his city or town.

Section 3. Every physician or medical officer registered shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge and * * * shall, within fifteen days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report * * * if the child is illegitimate, the name and other facts relating to the father shall not be stated except at the request in writing of both father and mother filed * * * Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported * * * A physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars * * *

Section 4. A member or servant of a family in which a child is born, having knowledge of the facts required * * * shall furnish the same upon request of the clerk of the town * * * or of any person authorized by him. (Penalty for refusing, not more than ten dollars.)

Section 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder within forty days after a birth in his house shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such a child is born.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 207

Section 36. If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth, who return to dwell here, they shall within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the town where either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage including the facts required in a notice of intention of marriage.

Section 55. Whoever violates Section 36 shall forfeit ten dollars.

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital medical officers applying therefor, with blanks for return of births as required by law.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT ON DOGS

Number of Dog Licenses issued from January 1, 1951 thru December 31, 1951:

293 Males @ \$2.00	\$ 586.00
61 Females @ \$5.00	305.00
118 Spayed Females @ \$2.00	236.00
1 Kennel @ \$50.00	50.00
1 Kennel @ \$25.00	25.00
5 Kennel @ \$10.00	50.00
1 Transfer	
<hr/> 480 Total	<hr/> \$1,252.00
Clerk's fees @ .20 on 479 Licenses	\$ 95.80
Paid to Town as per Treasurer's Receipts	1,156.20
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	\$1,252.00

The attention of owners and keepers of dogs is called to the following extracts from Chapter 140 of the General Laws as amended:

Definition: "License period," the time between April first and the following March thirty-first, both dates inclusive.

Section 137. A person who at the commencement of a license period is, or who during any license period becomes, the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old during a license period, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed until the end of such license period, and the owner or keeper of a dog so registered, numbered, described and licensed during any license period, in order to own or keep such a dog after the beginning of the succeeding license period, shall, before the beginning thereof, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for such a period.—The registering, numbering, describing and licensing of a dog—shall be—if kept in any town—in the office of the clerk thereof.

The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank furnished,—by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the condition expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing livestock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be fur-

nished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk—at a cost of ten cents which, if received by a town clerk, shall be retained by him unless otherwise provided by law.

Section 139. Fees for licenses. The fees for every license shall, except as otherwise provided, be two dollars for a male dog and five dollars for a female dog, unless a certificate of a registered veterinarian who performed the operation that said female dog has been spayed and has thereby been deprived of the power of propagation has been filed with the town clerk, in which case the fee shall be two dollars. A certified copy of such certificate on file in the office of any town clerk within the Commonwealth may be accepted as evidence that the said operation has been performed.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED THRU DECEMBER 31. 1951

Abbot, Edward M. & Edward M. Jr. (k10)	Bell, Robert H. (m)
Abbott Jessie (s)	Bellemore, Arthur J. (m)
Abrahamson, Robert M. (2m)	Berchtold, Otto H. (m)
Abreu, Anthony (m)	Bergsten, Frank A. (m)
Abreu, Vera A. (m)	Beskalo, S. Dennis (m)
Aguiar, Manuel & Bouvier David Z. (m)	Billman, George L. (m)
Alcorn, C. Arthur (f)	Black, Francis (m)
Alcorn, Frederick H. (m)	Blaney, Cyril A. (m)
Allen, E. Kent (s)	Blott, Leonard F. (s)
Alling, Francis W. (m)	Bobryk, Peter (m)
Anderson, Howard V. (m)	Boisvert, Lionel J. (m)
Anderson, John W. (m)	Boisvert, Roland E. (s)
Antonelli, John (2m 1f)	Boisvert, Roland J. (s)
Antonelli, Peter (m)	Boisvert, William J. (m)
Atwood, Florence E. (m)	Bolger, David E. (m)
Baker, Edwin L. (f)	Brady, Beulah (1m 1f)
Balas, Mitchell F. (f)	Brewster, Carl S. (m)
Barretto, John J. (s)	Brittain, Josephine T. (f)
Basinas, Antonia (f)	Broughton, Geoffrey (s)
Basinas, James V. (1m 1f)	Brown, Ellsworth H. (f)
Baum, Reginald S. (m)	Brule, Edmond (f)
Beebe, Alma L. (m)	Brule, Josephat (s)
Beebe, Willard W. (m)	Bubeshko, Alexander (m)
Belida, Wasil (m)	Buckshorn, Teresa M. (m)
Belinsky, Anthony (m)	Budge, William K. (1f 1s)
	Bunker, Louis F. (f)
	Burke, George H. (m)

Burnham, David A. (f)	Decato, Herbert C. (m)
Byron, Edward J. (s)	Degagne, Samuel J. (m)
Caless, Chester A. (s)	DeLaHaye, Evelyn M. (s)
Caless, Sybell L. (m)	Denisevich, Joseph (s)
Carlsen, John (s)	Denisevich, Zachary (1m 1s)
Carmichael, Charlotte (f)	Donnelly, Harry G. (m)
Carter, W. Wallace (s)	Doucette, Victor G. (m)
Cassidy, Robert V. (m)	Drew, Ben W. (m)
Castanza, Joseph J. (m)	Dubey, Frank T. (m)
Chace, Helen S. (f)	Dubey, George F. (m)
Chagnon, Dewey B. (s)	Dubey, Joseph T. (m)
Chamberlain, Jean M. (f)	Dubinski, Joseph P. (m)
Chandler, John D. (m)	Dubinski, Joseph W. (s)
Chandonait, Alice V. (f)	Dundas, David J. (m)
Chandonait, Alphonse A. (m)	Dunn, Kenneth (m)
Chandonait, Francis H. (s)	Dupras, Carl P. (m)
Chandonait, Homer O. (m)	Dupras, Fred L. (m)
Chapin, Priscilla K. (m)	Dureault, Joseph V. (m)
Charette, Andrew J. (k4)	Eaton, Charles W. (1m 1f)
Charlton, Arthur L. (m)	Elliott, Augustus, Jr. (m)
Charlton, Elizabeth B. (m)	Elliott, Priscilla B. (m)
Charlton, Joyce & Juanita (m)	Ellison, Jacob E. (m)
Chisholm, Nelson A. (m)	Ennis, Richard F. (m)
Chisholm, Walter E. (f)	Erwin, Charles M. (m)
Clements, Edna Kittredge (s)	Fallon, Owen P. (m)
Cole, Ralph E. (s)	Farrell, Donald F. (s)
Comeau, Eugene W. (m)	Farwell, Lawrence W. (m)
Comey, Gertrude E. (m)	Fellows, Herbert E. (s)
Condon, Garrett J. (1m 1s)	Field, Elizabeth B. (m)
Connell, George E. (m)	Finnila, Robert (m)
Connolly, Robert J. (m)	Finnila, Weikko R. (1m 1f)
Conrad, John T. (m)	Fitzpatrick, Frederick J. (m)
Corkum, Bennett S. (m)	Fletcher, George S. (s)
Cossar, George A. Jr. (f)	Fletcher, Walter W. (f)
Cote, Paul A. (m)	Fleury, Richard E. (m)
Coupal, Napoleon (s)	Fritz, Otto A. (2m)
Courchaine, Donald E. (m)	Frost, Alice E. (s)
Courchaine, Joseph R. (m)	Gagnon, Francis J. (m)
Couture, Laura M. (m)	Gantzel, John H. (f)
Crocker, Alan N. (m)	Gatenby, Frederick W. (s)
Crocker, Bryce H. (m)	Gelinas, Fernand R. (2m)
Daley, Edward L. (m)	Gelinas, Hervey J. (s)
Davis, Lawrence S. (m)	Gibbons, James W. (m)
Day, Avis E. (m)	Gilson, George & William (s)
Day, Norman E. (1m 1s)	Gormley, Lawrence G. (f)

Gould, Edwin H. (m)
 Gourley, Kirkland S. (s)
 Greenough, Caroline G. (m)
 Greenslade, Shirley V. (m)
 Gross, Robert G. (s)
 Gustafson, William F. (s)
 Haberman, Diane (s)
 Hadley, Doris J. (s)
 Hall, Albert L. (f)
 Hall, John H. (m)
 Hall, Philip G. (m)
 Hall, Richard W. (m)
 Hanson, Edna (m)
 Hanson, Rene M. (m)
 Hanson, Richard E. (m)
 Harrington, William C. (m)
 Hartford, Hazel B. (s)
 Hartley, Joseph D. (m)
 Healy, Anne G. (m)
 Healy, Richard J. (m)
 Helmboldt, Charles L. (m)
 Heman, Robert J. (m)
 Hildreth, Albert A. (m)
 Hildreth, Arthur G. (m)
 Hildreth, Charles L. (m)
 Hildreth, Stuart B. (m)
 Hodgson, Eileen M. (m)
 Hodgson, Harry (m)
 Holmes, James (m)
 Hook, Bette R. (s)
 Horner, Frederick (m)
 Hudgings, Thyra L. (m)
 Ingalls, Harry M. (f)
 Jaroma, Frank (m)
 Jeddrey, John W. (s)
 Jehu, Leroy (s)
 Jewett, Ellsworth J. (m)
 Johnson, Donald F. (f)
 Johnston, Carl H. B. (s)
 Johnston, Lawrence S. (m)
 Jones, Arthur C. (f)
 Kane, Lawrence R. (s)
 Kaplan, Samuel G. (m)
 Karkota, Frank V. (m)
 Kavanagh, John F. (s)

Kenny, Brian J. (1m 1s)
 Killam, John R. (m)
 Kimball, John A. (1m 1f)
 King, James A. (m)
 Knight, Stephen M. (f)
 Koning, William (m)
 Kosowicz, Stanley (f)
 Kostechko, Simon (m)
 Labbe, Herve R. (m)
 Labossiere, Arthur J. (f)
 Lafleur, Hubert (m)
 Laforge, George (m)
 Lamb, Kathleen M. (s)
 Lambert, Benjamin deF. ((s)
 Lamie, Adeline M. (m)
 Lamson, Edward N. (f)
 Lamson, Wetherbee (m)
 Lamy, Napoleon (m)
 Langley, Walter F. (s)
 Lavertue, Arthur J. (f)
 LeDuc, Rita M. (s)
 Leedberg, Clarence O. (m)
 Leedburg, Waldo S. (s)
 LeFebre, Eva A. (m)
 Lefebvre, Dorothy S. (m)
 Legree, William J. (m)
 Levasseur, Louis (m)
 Lewis, Carl F. (m)
 Lewkowicz, John (m)
 Loeffler, Frederick C. (m)
 Long, C. Paul (k10)
 Lowney, Edmund P. (m)
 Loynes, Frank (m)
 Lukas, Charles A. (2m)
 Lund, Betty (s)
 MacArthur, Nelson P. (s)
 Macauley, Cynthia R. (m)
 MacMillan, William C. (s)
 MacPhail, Lillian P. (s)
 MacQuarrie, William Q. (m)
 Maffini, Virginia (2m)
 Maguire, Francis C. (s)
 Mann, Dorothy I. (f)
 Mann, George W. (m)
 Mann, Mabel (s)

Martin, John A. (2m)	Paduano, Frank (1m 1f)
Maslin, Victoria A. (s)	Palmer, Lewis B. (m)
Matthews, James P. (s)	Paul, Robert L. (m)
McAvinew, James E. (2m)	Pearson, M. Lois (m)
McCarthy, Arthur (m)	Perkins, Clifford A. Jr. (m)
McCarthy, Frank G. (k4)	Perkins, Robert B. (2m 1f)
McDonald, Annie (s)	Perrins, Robert H. (m)
McDonald, Barbara B. (f)	Peterson, Edgar S. (f)
McIntosh, John (s)	Pettinella, Andrew (m)
McLenna, Edward F. (m)	Phalon, Robert W. (m)
Menard, Roger J. (s)	Phillips, Norman A. (m)
Merrick, Mary (m)	Picking, Albert G. (m)
Miller, Jennie P. (s)	Picking, Frederick H. (m)
Millett, William A. (m)	Pierce, Laurence C. (k4)
Milot, Alberic G. (s)	Pine, Thomas A. (m)
Milot, Arthur J. (s)	Plummer, William G. (m)
Milot, Charles C. (s)	Polesayka, John (m)
Milot, Lucien (m)	Pope, Charles E. (m)
Moore, Willard F. (f)	Porter, Clarence O. (f)
Moran, Paul F. (m)	Pote, Margaret E. (k4)
Moulton, David C. (f)	Poulin, Delia M. (2s)
Mountain, Edward P. (2m)	Prescott, Philip T. (f)
Mulligan, Francis J. (s)	Profita, Joseph M. (s)
Munroe, Albert H. (m)	Provost, Mary A. (s)
Munroe, Howard T. (2s)	Prowten, William E. (m)
Murchie, Adin D. (f)	Psarias, John (2m)
Nelson, Max (s)	Randall, Everett W. (m)
Nesmith, Eva L. (s)	Raymond, Hubert J. (f)
Nesmith, Norman K. (m)	Reeves, Alfred J. (m)
Niemaszyk, Anthony J. (m)	Reeves, Frances L. (1m 1f)
Nixon, Warren M. (m)	Reeves, George E. (m)
Norden, Sextus E. (1m 1s)	Reynolds, Maxwell W. (m)
Norden, Sextus E. & Roman- owsky, Arnold P. (k4)	Ricciardi, Carl S. (f)
Nowers, Francis L. (s)	Rice, Raymond P. (m)
Nyder, Walter (m)	Richards, Samuel A. (3m)
O'Connell, William L. (m)	Riel, Hermas I. (s)
Ohlson, Axel E. (m)	Robbins, Catherine E. (m)
O'Leary, Charles G. (s)	Roberts, Herman S. (1m 1f 1s)
Oliver, Joseph (m)	Robinson, James (m)
Oliver, Louis F. (m)	Robinson, Walter H. Jr. (s)
Olson, Arthur H. (m)	Robinson, William E. (m)
Olson, Harold A. (f)	Roderson, Virginia S. (s)
Osgood, Earl C. (s)	Rogers, Edmund D. (m)
Ouellette, Grace M. (s)	Rollins, Carroll J. (s)
	Roux, Normand A. (s)

Roux, William J. (2m)	Vaughn, Wilbert L. (s)
Ryan, James L., Jr. (1m 1f)	Vervaert, Marcel (m)
Sanders, John F. (s)	Verven, Nicholas (m)
Sawosik, Michael (m)	Visnaskas, John A. (m)
Sawyer, Gracia E. (m)	Vyskaska, Mary (m)
Schill, Frederick (2m)	Wajda, Stanley J. (s)
Scott, David C. (f)	Walker, George F. (s)
Scott, Everett A. (m)	Walker, Robert J. (m)
Senning, Florence E. (s)	Walsh, Michael J. (s)
Siemlanski, Edward J. (s)	Warchol, Edward S. (2m)
Sienkewicz, John (s)	Wardrope, William F. (m)
Simons, Sigmund (s)	Webber, Edwin J. (m)
Slatterly, Robert L. (s)	Wells, Allan M. (m)
Smith, F. Stanley (s)	Wetmore, Anna B. (s)
Smith, Paul F. (s)	Wetmore, Jerome W. (m)
Smith, Robert G. (s)	White, Helen M. (s)
Smith, Ruth S. (m)	Whitney, Donald A. (m)
Stannlonis, Jacob (s)	Whitney, Hamilton E. (m)
Stepinski, Henry J. (m)	Whitney, Harry G. (m)
Stromsky, Alex (m)	Whitney, John W. Jr. (m)
Sudak, Michael P. (m)	Whitney, Nathaniel R. (m)
Sudak, Peter N. (m)	Whitney, Warren W. (m)
Sullivan, Daniel W. (s)	Wilder, George S. (1m 1s)
Sullivan, Edward T. Jr. (m)	Williamson, Charles (m)
Suzedelys, Stanley (m)	Wilson, Raymond S. (s)
Swanson, Swan G. (m)	Wilson, T. Arthur E. (m)
Szczigla, Anna (m)	Winship, Robert L. (s)
Talancy, Mary (s)	Wolosewicz, Constantine (m)
Taylor, Clayton T. (s)	Wood, Eugene J. Jr. (1m 1f)
Tebbetts, George R. (s)	Wood, Francis C. (m)
Tereshko, Walter (m)	Woodard, Rita A. (s)
Thibault, James F. (m)	Woodard, Shirley A. (m)
Thompson, Raymond E. (m)	Woznac, Alexander M. (f)
Thunberg, Ivan E. (s)	Wright, Claude H. (m)
Tobin, Ruth B. (f)	Wright, Walter A. (m)
Todd, Herman L. (m)	Wyman, Horace F. (1m 1s)
Totton, Irene E. (m)	Wyman, Carl P. (f)
Totton, Thomas F. (m)	Wyman, William W. (m)
Tousignant, Wilfred J. (m)	Yarnall, Waldo W. (m)
Toy, Hyman H. (1m 1f)	Yeschanin, John (m)
Tuttle, Ruth P. (s)	Young, Beverly J. (m)
Valley, Loren B. (m)	Young, Catherine S. (m)
VanNorden, Lamert A. (s)	Zioto, Adolph J. (m)

NOTE: (m) Male; (f) Female; (s) Spayed Female; (k) Kennel.

CHARLES L. HILDRETH, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION—MARCH 5, 1951

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Whole Number of Ballots Cast.....	364	273	133	313	1083

TOWN CLERK—Three Years

Charles L. Hildreth	319	208	123	243	893
Blanks	45	65	10	70	190

SELECTMEN—Three Years

Thomas W. Gower	250	158	63	243	714
Donald H. Hall	51	76	16	28	171
Robert J. Heman, Jr.	32	27	7	24	90
Clarence O. Porter	19	3	44	9	75
Blanks	12	9	3	9	33

ASSESSOR—Three Years

Carroll J. Rollins	315	186	121	221	843
Thomas Curley	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	49	86	12	92	239

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—Three Years (Two)

Clifford J. Courchaine	251	199	98	281	829
Edward N. Lamson	271	121	102	133	627
Blanks	206	226	66	212	710

MODERATOR—Three Years

Ben W. Drew	253	114	93	188	648
Thomas A. Pine, Jr.	99	146	40	94	379
Blanks	12	13	0	31	56

TRUSTEE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY—Three Years

William R. Taylor	299	203	125	240	867
Walter Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	65	69	8	73	215

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE—Three Years

Samuel A. Richards	311	189	118	222	840
Blanks	53	84	15	91	243

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER—Three Years

Albert A. Hildreth	321	194	121	236	872
Blanks	43	79	12	77	211

BOARD OF HEALTH—Three Years

Dwight W. Cowles	303	198	111	252	864
Blanks	61	75	22	61	219

TREE WARDEN—One Year

Frederick J. Fitzpatrick	302	193	117	256	857
Vincent Daley	0	1	0	0	1
Linwood Nesmith	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	62	78	16	58	214

HOUSING AUTHORITY—Five Years

Charles Kibby	0	0	25	0	25
Edward Beebe	0	1	0	0	1
Philip Perrault	1	1	0	0	2
Stanley Smith	0	1	0	0	1
Samuel Fletcher	0	1	0	0	1
Wm. Leo Wall	0	1	0	0	1
C. Rollins	1	0	0	0	1
L. Johnson	1	0	0	0	1
Edward Sullivan	1	0	0	0	1
H. A. Wilder	3	0	0	0	3
Austin Healy	1	0	0	0	1
Arthur Abbood	1	0	0	0	1
Victor Daly	0	0	0	1	1
George Sedach	0	0	0	1	1
John Mulligan	0	0	0	1	1
Albert Burne	0	0	0	1	1
Edmund Rogers	0	0	0	1	1
James Kelly	0	0	0	1	1
Harold E. Lyons	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	355	268	108	306	1037

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION

Shall the town accept the provisions of sections sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a regional school district, together with the town of Littleton, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen?

YES	163	87	74	122	446
NO	187	163	57	150	557
BLANKS	14	23	2	41	80

We hereby certify that the above is a true Canvass of the Votes Cast at the Annual Town Election held March 5, 1951.

ATTEST:

PAUL L. DUNIGAN,
NORMAN E. DAY,
JAMES J. McKNIFF,
CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Board of Registrars of Voters—Westford

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 10, 1951

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, Saturday, March 10, 1951, at 1:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, called the Meeting to order.

Rev. Cletus E. Hirschy gave the invocation.

Albert A. Hildreth and Robert J. Spinner, using Check Lists, acted as Tellers at the doors of the Hall.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

The Canvass of the Votes Cast at the Town Election, March 5th, made by the Board of Registrars of Voters, was read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Voted to accept the Report of the Regional School Committee and that it be placed on file. Voted that the Report of the School Planning Committee, as printed in the Town Report, be accepted and that a new Committee of five Voters of the Town, one to be a member of the School Committee, be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, said Committee to report its findings and recommendations to the Town at a Special Town Meeting to be called before July 1, 1951. A rising vote of thanks was given to the two Committees.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the Compensation of the Town Officers be as follows and effective as of January 1, 1951:

Selectmen—Chairman \$225.00; Other two Members \$200.00 each.

Board of Public Welfare—Chairman \$20.00; Other two Members \$10.00 each.

Town Treasurer—\$1,880.00.

Town Clerk—\$400.00

Collector of Taxes—\$1,800.00.

Tree Warden—\$0.90 per hour.

Assessors—\$1.10 per hour.

Registrars of Voters—\$1.10 per hour.

ARTICLE 3. 1. Voted that the sum of \$12,430.00 be raised and appropriated for General Government, divided as follows:

Selectmen—\$1,000.00.

License Expense—\$100.00.

Town Accountant—\$1,175.00.

Town Treasurer—\$2,280.00.

Assessors—\$2,000.00.

Tax Collector—\$2,400.00.

Tax Title Expense—\$750.00.

Town Counsel—\$300.00.

Town Clerk—\$875.00.

Election and Registration—\$1,550.00.

2. Voted that the sum of \$3,508.00 be raised and appropriated for the General Expenses of the Town Hall.
3. Voted that the sum of \$10,255.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Police Department.
4. Voted that the sum of \$8,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Fire Department, divided as follows:
General Expenses—\$8,000.00.
Permanent Man—\$500.00.
5. Voted to take up this Item relative to Fire Hydrants after Articles 31 and 32 have been acted upon.
6. Voted that the sum of \$125.00 be raised and appropriated for the Sealer of Weights and Measures.
7. No action was taken on this Item relative to a Fish and Game Warden.
8. Voted that the sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Fighting Forest Fires.
9. Voted that the sum of \$20.00 be raised and appropriated to defray Expenses of the Town Forest.
10. Voted that the sum of \$700.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Tree Warden.
11. Voted that the sum of \$1,300.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Moth Department in the suppression or control of insect pests which destroy forest and shade tree foliage, including the Elm Leaf Beetle and the Dutch Elm Disease.
12. Voted that the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Health Department.
13. Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Cattle Inspector.
- 14A. Voted that the sum of \$12,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Snow and Ice Removal.
- 14B. Voted that the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Roads.
15. Voted that the sum of \$53,700.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Welfare Department, divided as follows:
Temporary Aid and Infirmary \$26,900.00.
Aid to Dependent Children—\$1,800.00.
Old Age Assistance—\$25,000.00.
16. Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Soldiers' Benefits.

17. Voted that the sum of \$143,939.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the School Department.
18. Voted that the sum of \$3,500.00 be raised and appropriated for Vocational School Tuition.
19. Voted that the sum of \$3,600.00 be raised and appropriated, together with the Receipts from Dog Licenses in 1950, to defray the Expenses of the J. V. Fletcher Library.
20. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of the Care of the Common.
21. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Commemorating Memorial Day.
22. Voted that the sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of Publishing and Distributing the Town Reports.
23. Voted that the sum of \$4,200.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the Expenses of various types of Insurance, including Fire, Compensation, Liability and Collision Insurance.
24. Voted that the sum of \$25.000 be raised and appropriated for Interest on Revenue Loans.
25. Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of Cemeteries.
26. Voted to take up this Item relative to Street Lights after Articles 34 to 38 inclusive have been acted upon.
27. Voted that the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be used as a Reserve Fund at the discretion of the Finance Committee as provided in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6 and that the further sum of \$110.00 be raised and appropriated to be used by the Finance Committee for payment of Membership in the Association of Town Finance Committees and for secretarial help.
28. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$439.08 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying Unpaid Bills of 1950 and previous years as follows:
 FIRE DEPARTMENT: J. A. Healy & Sons \$147.09; Westford Water Co. \$20.95—Total \$168.04. HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Edward T. Sullivan \$3.00; W. Raymond Shea \$3.00—Total \$6.00. WELFARE DEPARTMENT: Old Age Assistance; Sundry persons \$201.04; Temporary Aid; Overseers of Public Welfare, Boston, Mass. \$64.00—Total \$265.04.
39. Voted to take up Article 39 at this time.
 Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the School Planning Committee appointed under Article 1, and that the Committee be authorized, if necessary, to procure an outside Educational Consultant to survey the needs of Westford regarding its entire School System.

4. Voted unanimously that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Revenue of the Current Financial Year and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the **General Laws**.
5. Voted that the sum of \$10,125.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that in addition, the sum of \$22,275.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the Reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.
6. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, on condition that like amounts be contributed by either or both the State and County respectively, to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the Reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.
7. Voted that the sum of \$431.25 be raised and appropriated for the Highway Machinery Fund and that the sum of \$4,568.75 be transferred from said Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account.
8. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of reconstructing North Street, contingent upon contributions by either or both the State and County to be used in conjunction therewith, and that, in addition, the sum of \$9,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury.
9. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, for the purpose of purchasing for use by the Forest Fire Department, a new chassis and transferring to said new chassis the body, pump and tank now on the present Forestry Truck, said chassis to be purchased and said body, pump and tank to be transferred from the old truck to the new chassis, all under the supervision of the Forest Warden, and that said new Forestry

Truck be stationed in the Westford Firehouse and shall be under the supervision of and custody and care of the Forest Warden.

- 10 Voted that the sum of \$2,025.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing approximately 1,000 Feet of New 2½" Fire Hose, and 500 Feet of 1½" Hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers.
11. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to purchasing Hose for the Forest Fire Department.
12. Voted that the sum of \$750.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing and installing a New Boiler in the Westford Fire House.
13. Voted not to raise \$600.00 for a siren.
14. Voted that the sum of \$6,000.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, for the purpose of purchasing a New Truck for the Highway Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.
15. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a new Automobile for the Police Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.
- 16 Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to sell and transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the automobile now used by the Police Department and apply the sum received therefrom against the purchase of the new automobile.
17. Voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to settle on behalf of the Town, Claims or damages against the Town, and that the sum of \$380.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying such settlements.
- 18 Voted that the sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of making certain improvements to the Sargent School.
- 19 Voted that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from Available Funds, for the purpose of Civilian Defense, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.
20. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for Band Concerts during the current year.
21. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of painting Traffic Lines and Signals on the Public Ways in said Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

22. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks, said sum of money to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and for the repairs of such public sidewalks as the Selectmen shall determine.
23. Voted that the sum of \$600.00 be raised and appropriated for the Care of the Whitney Playground.
24. Voted that a Committee, consisting of three persons, to be known as the Whitney Playground Committee, be elected.
The following were nominated and elected as said Committee: Moses L. Fecteau J. Herbert Fletcher and Leon F. Hildreth.
25. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of continuing the Survey and Maps of the Town, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Assessors.
26. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of painting the lower Town Hall.
27. Voted that the Town accept Jonas Road as laid out by the Selectmen as shown by the Report and Plan duly filed in the Office of the Town Clerk.
28. Voted that the Town accept an extension of Story Street as laid out by the Selectmen as shown by the Report and Plan duly filed in the Office of the Town Clerk.
29. Voted that the sum of \$1,788.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended.
30. Voted that the Town accept a Gift made to it by the Isabel F. Hyams Fund, Inc., formerly known as the Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc., and that the Town Clerk be authorized and directed to extend to said Corporation the appreciation of the Town for this Gift.
31. Voted that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are authorized in the name and behalf of the Town to enter into a Contract with the Westford Water Company for a period not to exceed five (5) years and on such terms and conditions as they deem advisable for two Hydrants to be located as follows: One (1) on Story Street; One (1) on Pleasant Street..
32. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to enter into a Contract with the Westford Water Company for three (3) additional Hydrants at \$45.00 per year for each Hydrants; One (1) to be located on Nabnasset Street and Two (2) to be located on Oak Hill Road.

ARTICLE 3 5. Voted that the sum of \$4,715.00 be raised and appropriated for Fire Hydrants.

33. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing suitable quarters in the Nabnasset Section of said Westford for the Nabnasset American Legion Post No. 437 and the Auxiliary of said Post.
34. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install five (5) additional Street Lights on Plain Road.
35. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install three (3) Street Lights on Hillside Avenue.
36. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one (1) Street Light on Beaver Brook Road on Pole #E1.W.28 opposite the residence of Archie Fish in Forge Village.
37. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to install one (1) additional Street Light on Pleasant Street at or near the Junction of Abbot Street and Pleasant Street.
38. A Motion that the Selectmen be authorized to install three (3) Street Lights on Hartford Road was defeated.

ARTICLE 3 26. Voted that the sum of \$7,830.00 be raised and appropriated for Street Lights.

40. Voted to dismiss this Article relative to a proposed Gift of Land, under certain conditions, from Elmer Smith to the Town.
41. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of defraying the Expenses of the Athletic Program in the Westford Schools.
42. Voted that the sum of \$150.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of stocking Ponds and other Inland Waters, located within the Town Limits, with Fish and of liberating Game within said limits under the Provisions of Chapter 40, Section 5, (41) of the General Laws; and that said sum be expended under the supervision of a Committee of three persons appointed by the Moderator, two members of which Committee shall be members of a Sporting Club.
43. A Motion to dismiss this Article was defeated.
Voted by voice vote that the Town adopt the By-Laws as set forth in Article 43 of the Warrant for this Meeting.
44. Voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Meeting.
45. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk, Westford.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING—JUNE 25, 1951

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westford, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, held at the Town House, MONDAY, June 25, 1951, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., the following business was transacted:

Ben W. Drew, Town Moderator, being absent, Charles L. Hildreth, Town Clerk, called the Meeting to order.

William R. Taylor was nominated and elected Moderator Pro Tempore, and was sworn in by the Town Clerk.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that the report of the School Planning Committee be accepted and that the Committee be continued and report on or before the next Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized in the name and behalf of the Town to sell for such sum as they may deem advisable and transfer by a good and sufficient bill of sale title to an old fire truck formerly used by the Forest Fire Department, and an old boiler now in the basement of the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 3. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, to the account entitled Care of Common, for the purpose of further caring for the Town Common and the purchase of a suitable power mower to be used thereon.

ARTICLE 4. Voted unanimously that the sum of \$61.54 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, to the account entitled Unpaid Bills of Previous Years, for the purpose of paying a bill of the City of Boston incurred in 1949 for Vocational Tuition.

ARTICLE 5. Voted that the sum of \$441.00 be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, to the account entitled Care of the Whitney Playground, for the purpose of making certain repairs to the walks and to the benches on the Playground.

ARTICLE 6. Voted to accept the minutes of the Meeting.

ARTICLE 7. Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

A True Record, Attest:

CHARLES L. HILDRETH,
Town Clerk of Westford.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The Board of Fire Engineers submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1951.

The three companies responded to 42 alarms other than forest fires; namely,

8 house fires, 1 camp, 6 chimney, 2 garage, 7 cars, 1 tractor, 3 oil burners, 2 stores, 2 dump, 6 still alarms, 1 rescued horse from barn cellar, 1 drowning, 4 false alarms.

The Departments also responded to 35 brush and grass fires.

Much appreciation is due again to Mr. Robert Spinner, Mr. George St. Onge and several other firemen for the time they gave in answering 102 Ambulance calls.

The Civilian Defense Department purchased two sirens for the Forge Village and Graniteville Stations. Air raid signals are now sounded every Tuesday at 5 P. M. which is the practice in surrounding Towns also.

Only routine maintenance and repairs were made to the equipment and apparatus. There are three pieces of apparatus, two of which are 1933 models and one 1934. One of the 1933 chassis was second hand when purchased. Due to the age of these chassis we feel that a program of replacement should be considered which should take place over a period of three or four years with the purchase of one this year.

A new boiler was installed in the Westford Fire Station and is working satisfactorily. This replaces the old boiler which was cracked.

The Forge Village Station is in need of repairing and painting on the inside and should be done this year.

We feel that radio communication between all the Companies and the Westford Control Station would be an advantage to the Town and therefore suggest that two mobile units be considered for the Forge Village and Graniteville Stations to work in conjunction with equipment at the Westford Center Station.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND D. ROGERS
HAROLD E. WRIGHT
RICHARD D. HALL
Board of Fire Engineers

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

On May 2, 1951, there were three large Forest Fires burning at one time in this town. One was in the North Section, two in Parker Village. The North End fire burned about 250 acres and in Parker Village, one fire burned about 75 acres and the other about 25 acres. The cost to the Town for these three fires was about \$1,200.00.

On this same day, there were winds of gale force with a relative humidity of only 8 percent, the lowest ever recorded in this State.

Help was sent to these fires by surrounding Towns and fine work was done by all. Much praise should be given to Chief Allen Kidder of Chelmsford for his help at the Parker Village Fire. He has sent assistance to Forest Fires in the Nabnassett and Parker Village Sections several times in the past. This was done without cost to the Town of Westford.

A new Forest Fire Truck was bought this year at a cost of \$3,000.00. This is a two-ton cab-over-engine Chevrolet equipped with a 500 gallon per minute front-end pump and a 410 gallon water tank. Following is the cost of this truck:

Everett Scott, truck	\$2,038.00
Gorham Fire Equip. Co., pump	150.00
Installing pump	130.00
C. G. Sargent's Sons Corp., Material for tank	75.00
Whitney's Garage, body and paint work	500.00
Gorham Fire Equip. Co., 2½" suction hose	38.84
Miscellaneous	67.48
Total	<u>\$2,999.32</u>

For the current years' expense, I am asking \$1,600.00 and \$225.00 for 250' (more or less) of 1½" single jacket, treated forestry hose.

Mr. Arthur Abbood, Civilian Defense Director, installed a new two-way radio in the new Forestry Truck. The radio is on the Massachusetts Department of Conservation wave length. For the present, the Chelmsford Fire Station is acting as a Base Station to relay calls between the Westford Fire House and the Forestry Truck while at fires.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO R. LARKIN,
Forest Warden.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

February 11, 1952

The Board of Selectmen organized in the beginning of the year with Dr. Cyril A. Blaney, chairman; Edward F. Harrington, secretary; and Thomas W. Gower the third member.

Six new street lights were installed and more are yet to be installed. The Lowell Electric Light Corporation has been asked to take care of the installation as soon as possible.

The interior of the Town Hall was painted this spring and the floors sanded and treated. The lower hall floor should be sanded and treated, also the upper hall floor should be taken care of by treatment to save the floor.

A section of North Street was started but on account of unusual weather conditions, the road was not completed. This work was surveyed by the County Engineers. The work was done by the Highway Superintendent of Streets under the supervision of the State Highway Department. The completion of this work will be done as soon as weather permits.

Spraying of the shade trees was done with good results and limbs and trees were removed by the Tree Warden.

The town of Westford purchased a new truck for the Forest Warden which will be extremely handy for use both in forestry and at grass and house fires.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRIL A. BLANEY,
EDWARD F. HARRINGTON
THOMAS W. GOWER

Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Board of Selectmen:

The following is my report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1951:

CHAPTER 81 & GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

The usual Highway Maintenance work was carried out this year, which included the use of gravel, tar, asphalt, screened sand, pea stone and bituminous concrete patch on our roads and streets that come under Chapter 81. Several roads were resurfaced with an application of asphalt and pea stone rolled in.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

The usual maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways was carried out again this year under provisions of the contract. Sections of Groton and Acton roads were resurfaced with asphalt and pea stone.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

North Street Chapter 90 Construction was delayed due to fact that contract was not signed until late in the fall.

Although this project was late in starting this section was almost ready for surfacing when we were compelled to stop work owing to unfavorable weather. The money not spent on this 1951 appropriation will be carried over to 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

J. AUSTIN HEALY, Supt.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The Cemetery Commissioners submit the following Report for the year 1951:

We feel that we were fortunate to procure competent help to keep the Cemeteries in fine condition through the 1951 season. The new trees planted at Fairview came through fine and are doing well. Thanks to Mr. Elliott for his assistance.

SEBASTIAN B. WATSON
AXEL G. LUNDBERG
ALBERT A. HILDRETH

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Westford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1951 for the Police Department.

Report to the Department of Correction has been made.

Arrests made	35
Complaints in Ayer	60
Assault and battery	6
Abandoned autos	11
Auto Violations	16
Auto accidents	28
Auto transfers	126
Auto registration	11
Auto Licenses revoked	18
Appeals cases to Superior Court	3
Collected for liquor licenses	\$3,226.00
Complaint against dogs	24
Complaints investigated cruelty to animals	7
Complaints on dead animals left on top of ground	9
Complaints on suspicious persons	26
Camp and houses broken into	8
Dogs killed by automobiles	12
Dogs shot	9
Duty at public gathering	96
Dances	34
Driving under the influence of liquor	7
Driving so as to endanger	7
Disturbance of the peace	10
Drunkenness	18
Driving without a license	6
Fruit thieves	3
Family disturbances	64
Fires attended	17
Funerals attended	26
Idle and disorderly	7
Investigations made	689
In lockup at town farm	11
Breaking and entering in the night time	4
Men taken to jail	6
Leaving scene after injury to Property	3
Larceny complaints	26

Notices posted	49
Non-support	4
Public nuisances in beer places	28
Pedestrians struck by automobiles	3
Petty complaints	528
Summonses and notices served	82
Electric wires down on street	12
Malicious injury to property	18
Patients taken to Gardner state hospital	4
Lay watching in different places	12
Inspection of camps when roads are open	
Drowning accidents	2
Jurors	8

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Officer Connell and the other Special Officers of the town of Westford, for their advice, cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SULLIVAN,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE WHITNEY PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

During 1951 the town appropriated funds for repairs to the several settees; a black top walk from Main Street to the Frost School; new players' benches and back-stop screening on the baseball diamond. This work has been done and improves the appearance and usefulness of the playground facilities.

The tennis court was out of service for the year due to a cave-in of the playing surface, caused by faulty drainage conditions. We hope to restore it to service in 1952.

Your Committee feels indebted to Mr. John Peterson, the caretaker, for his conscientious attention to the many little details that make the playground an attraction in our town. At the time of this report we are uncertain about being able to retain the services of Mr. Peterson due to his retirement status. Should this be so we feel it will be a loss to the town for his skilful labors on the playground have been expended with a pride of accomplishment most uncommon.

LEON HILDRETH
JOHN GREIG
MOSES L. FECTEAU

JURY LIST — 1952

Name	Occupation	Address
Athorn, Leslie N.	Laboratory Worker	51 Pleasant St.
Barretto, Dennis	Monument Business	5 Groton Road
Baum, Reginald S.	Carpenter	1 Nabnassett Street
Blanchard, Roy E.	Machinist	9 Fourth Street
Blowey, Reginald	Second Hand	23 Pleasant Street
Bohenko, Walter P.	Millhand	19 Prescott Street W.
Britko, Andrew	Millhand	7 Broadway
Brown, Elmer P.	Coat Cutter	1 Elm Road
Brule, Roger J.	Millhand	1 Dodge Road
Cantara, Raymond	Wool Sorter	1 Story Street
Chandonait, Alphonse A.	Tool Die Maker	15 Carlisle Road
Chaplin, Carl A.	Salesman	4 Leland Street
Colarusso, Umberto P.	Salesman	11 Brookside Road
Daly, Vincent	Grease Plant Worker	1 Pond Street
Decato, Herbert C.	Truck Driver	11 Keyes Road
Evans, Edwin D.	Mechanic	22 Broadway
Gagnon, John F.	Carpenter	3 Forge Village Road
Gelinas, Wilfred	Mechanic	5 Main Street G.
Gower, George D.	Millhand	17 Broadway
Haley, George M.	Stock Room Clerk	2 Orchard Street
Hall, Isaac L.	Retired	14 Broadway
Hosmer, Edward W.	Millhand	35 Pleasant Street
Kane, Lawrence	Wool Sorter	11 Pleasant Street
Kelly, William J. Jr.	Quarry Worker	9 Pine Street
Lord, Philip	Millhand	26 Pleasant Street
MacMillan, William C.	Carpenter	4 Beacon Street
Martin, William P.	Millhand	6 Maple Street
Miller, F. Everett	Truck Driver	4 Main Street
Moran, Charles R.	Cattle Business	50 Main Street
Mossdrop, Michael T.	Millhand	2 Pershing Street
Paduano, Frank	Bartender	32 Groton Road
Parmentier, Roland	Millhand	35 Prescott Street W.
Poulin, Ernest L.	Research Operator	17 Oak Hill Road
Reynolds, Maxwell W.	Farmer	62 Main Street
Rollins, Carroll J.	Assessor	3 Depot Street
Socha, Marygen	Wool Sorter	10 Prescott Street W.
Soubosky, Robert L.	Millhand	55 Broadway
Teague, John J.	Quarry Worker	2 Webber Road
Wilder, Bernard M.	Truck Driver	11 Prescott Street E.
Wyma, William W.	Carpenter	44 Groton Road

CYRIL A. BLANEY

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON

THOMAS W. GOWER

Selectmen of Westford

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1951:

The Westford Board of Health organized in March with Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., as Chairman, Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., as Secretary and Ralph E. Cole, M. D., as the third member.

The work of the public health nurse has been very cooperative and efficient as shown by her report to follow.

The milk situation was very capably supervised by the agent, Mr. Henry Smith.

The liquor establishments have been inspected and, as in past years, conditions have been found satisfactory.

Diphtheria and vaccination clinics have been well attended. These clinics established by the town of Westford over twenty years ago have shown great results as to the health of this community. The department has been assisted at these clinics by the public health nurse and also by the visiting nurse.

Various nuisances have been reported and taken care of to the satisfaction of the health department without any difficulties.

The report of the animal inspector shows a great amount of capable work and we would suggest that if the people would be a little more cooperative in getting their dogs licensed early and reporting unlicensed dogs it would lighten the work of the inspector.

The public dump has been cleaned and a permanent police officer has been installed. His work is to see that the people dump the waste in a proper place giving the public a good chance to dispose of their material at all times. If the public would assist the officer in this respect we would have a public dump to be proud of now and in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT W. COWLES, M. D.
CYRIL A. BLANEY, M. D.
RALPH E. COLE, M. D.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1951

Below is the report of the Assessors of Westford for 1951.

Value of Buildings, January 1, 1951	\$3,077,950.00
Value of Land, January 1, 1951	854,380.00
Value of Personal Property, January 1, 1951	486,086.00
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Total Valuation, January 1, 1951	\$4,418,416.00

APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1951

Annual Town Meeting, March 10, 1951	\$ 326,045.33
State Taxes	1,556.19
County Taxes	13,954.05
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,955.10
1951 Overlay Fund	4,630.01
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Total Amount to be Raised\$ 403,241.43

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$ 201,712.71
Total Amount to be Raised on Polls and Property	201,528.72
Total Excise Commitments	29,505.41

Tax Rate \$45.00 per Thousand.

Number of Polls	1,350
Number of Horses	32
Number of Cows	326
Number of Neat Cattle	56
Number of Swine	212
Number of Sheep and Goats	49
Number of Fowl	34,580
All Others	87
Number of Acres of Land	18,000
Number of Dwellings	1,315

ABATEMENTS

	Polls	Property	Excise
1949	\$ ———	\$ 10.50	\$ ———
1950	4.00	59.84	174.08
1951	444.00	2,650.47	2,510.09

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL J. ROLLINS
JOHN J. O'CONNELL
NORMAN K. NESMITH
Assessors of Westford

NASHOBA ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF HEALTH

January 30, 1951

Board of Health
Westford
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

It was a pleasure to return to the Health Center in June after a nine months' leave of absence. I am most grateful to Dr. Stanton Garfield who so ably covered for me during this period.

The most important thing that has happened during the year is the survey of our health facilities and services that was made by the Harvard School of Public Health. The report will be available before February 1st, and I hope that your town will act on the recommendation of the Association to appoint an official committee to study this report with you. Some of the recommendations will require action at Town Meeting, possibly as soon as 1953.

The sanitation work done particularly for your board during the year is tabulated below. The totals speak for themselves.

Milk Samples Collected and Tested	201
Visits to Pasteurization Plants	44
Visits to Dairy Farms	20
Visits to Eating Places	46
(including ice cream plants)	
School Building Inspections	5
Recreational and Cabin Camp Inspections	10
Private Water Supplies Inspected and Tested	22
Consultations on Private Sewage Disposal	3
(including nuisance complaints)	
Bathing Beach Inspections and Tests	6

In addition to the above, we have issued thirty-one licenses on behalf of your Board, and have turned over the fees to your Town Treasurer.

The reports of communicable disease for the year would indicate a considerable prevalence of chickenpox during the winter, and some mumps during the fall. The only striking thing about these reports is the fact that during the year twenty-eight cases of dog bite were reported. This emphasizes the need for rabies immunization of the dogs in your community, for as you know, rabies is a fatal disease in

man and animals. It is a pleasure to note that the parents in your community are becoming increasingly aware of the importance of immunizing their children against diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanus. This year 88% of those entering the first grade had been immunized against diphtheria, before coming to school. All the teachers and other school employees have been found free of tuberculosis. Most of them were x-rayed at the Health Center in January.

Eighty-one children have made 147 visits, received 110 immunizations at the twelve Well Child Conferences. Twenty-one were referred to their family physicians for medical care. In the fall of 1950, most of your second grade children had sodium fluoride applied to their teeth in order to reduce dental decay. This was a demonstration program furnished the association through the courtesy of the Dental Division of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. In all probability, we will not be able to obtain this type of service again. Furthermore, it is found that it is even more effective to add small amounts of fluoride compounds to the public water supply. This is a procedure that is widely accepted in the large cities throughout the country, and is now being considered in many of the towns in this district. I can whole heartedly recommend it for consideration in your town also.

It has been a pleasure to work with your board, and with your community nurse, Miss Dorothy Healy. We are most grateful to that committee of ladies which has so consistently helped Miss Healy with the Well Child Conferences.

The moderate increase in costs for the year 1952 has been occasioned by a reduction in funds from outside sources, particularly from the State Health Department and by rising costs.

More detailed information about any of these matters is available at the Health Center in Ayer. I speak for the whole staff when I say we hope the members of your board will stop by frequently during the year and will urge the citizens of your town to visit us and call on us for help whenever necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

SIDNEY COBB, M. D., M. P. H.,
Director.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., Chairman
Westford Board of Health
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the public health nurse from January 1, to December 31, 1951:

Children taken home from school because of illness	59
Children taken to school physician	79
Nursing Visits:	
Acute Communicable	131
Tuberculosis:	
Case	171
Suspect	12
Contact	15
Crippled Children	73
Health Supervision Visits:	
Under 1 month	3
1-12 months	42
1 year-school	138
School	477
To Crippled Children's Clinic at St. John's Hospital	3
To Treatment Center at Nashoba Building (Crippled Children)	17
To Eye Clinic at St. John's Hospital	12
To Physicians' Optical Co.	1
To St. John's Hospital for treatment	2
To Medical Clinic at St. John's Hospital	5
To Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinic at St. John's Hospital	8
To St. John's Hospital for T. & A.	5
To Pediatric Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	2
To Orthopedic Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	4
To Child Guidance Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	51
To Lowell General Hospital for treatment	2
To Children's Heart Clinic at Lowell General Hospital	2
To Children's Heart Clinic Office	3
To Doctor's Office	5
To Dentist's Office	14
To Middlesex County Sanatorium to be admitted	1
To Middlesex County Sanatorium for X-ray	27
Conferences and Meetings attended	36
Well Child Conferences conducted by Dr. Sidney Cobb	12

81 children made 147 visits and received 110 immunizations.
Immunization Clinics conducted by Board of Health:

Number of children receiving complete immunization:	
Diphtheria Toxoid	2
Diphtheria-Tetanus Toxoid	15
Diphtheria-Tetanus-Whooping Cough Toxoid	2
Number of children receiving Boosters:	
Diphtheria Toxoid	23
Diphtheria-Tetanus Toxoid	2
Diphtheria-Tetanus-Whooping Cough Toxoid	2
Number of children vaccinated	30

Dangerous Diseases Reported to Board of Health:			
Chicken Pox	101	Scarlet Fever	1
Dog Bite	23	Septic Sore Throat	4
German Measles	1	Whooping Cough	6
Measles	11	Syphillis	2
Mumps	19		

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. HEALY, R. N.

EXPENDITURES HEALTH DEPARTMENT 1951

Administration:	
Salaries and Wages	\$ 158.00
All other	43.55
Tuberculosis, Board and Treatment	655.50
Contagious Diseases	36.82
Nurse, Salary	2,300.00
Auto:	
Upkeep	326.45
Insurance	57.97
Dump	459.50
Dairy Inspector	50.00
Other Inspections	39.00
Clinics	213.75
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	\$4,340.54
Balance	659.46

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Animal Inspector	\$ 200.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	3,411.63
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,955.10

RECEIPTS OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT 1951

Milk Dealers' Permits	\$13.50
Oleomargarine Permits	3.00
Permits to Manufacture Ice Cream	15.00
Camp Licenses	1.00
No Dumping Signs50
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	\$33.00

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Cyril A. Blaney, M.D., Chairman
Westford Board of Health
Westford, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Following is the report of the Inspector of Animals from Jan.
1 to Dec. 31, 1951.

25 dog bites	50 visits
Inspecting barns. I called on the same numbers of barns as I did last year but found only forty-nine with ani- mals this year.	
No. of cows 2 years and older	358
Heifers 1-2 years	173
Heifers 1 year	48
Bulls	18
Horses	32
Pigs	801
Sheep	46
Goats	28
Steers	6
Inspecting cattle out of State	8
Sending report to State	58

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. BLODGETT,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

This department granted aid during 1951 on an average case load as follows: Old Age Assistance 66 cases, Aid to Dependent Children 5 cases and General Relief 8 cases. A new category of public assistance, so-called Disability Assistance became effective Nov. 1, 1951. This provides assistance to needy persons, 18 years. of age or over who are permanently disabled. The law includes a reimbursement formula under which the Commonwealth reimburses 75% of the local expenditures. This includes the federal contribution. The balance is assumed by the community granting assistance. This new law has no settlement provision and citizenship is not essential.

A cost of living increase was granted on October 1, 1951 on Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent children cases. Other important changes in the O.A.A. law which became effective January 1, 1952 provides for a legal minimum rate of \$75.00 plus Leisure Time Activities allowance (\$4.00) for persons who live alone and \$55.00 plus Leisure Time Activities allowance for persons who live in a family group. Many cases were increased at this time to meet the minimum rate.

Another provision is that the town shall take a lien as of January 1, 1952 against the real estate owned by all recipients of Old Age Assistance as a condition of granting such assistance.

At the Infirmary there were 10 persons boarded during the year. Five of these were local residents and five were settled elsewhere and board was paid for by other communities or the persons themselves. Rate of board has been increased this year to \$15.00 week.

This department was permitted this year to make several badly-needed changes in the Infirmary buildings. A downstairs lavatory was installed and new kitchen and hallway linoleum was put in. Also a new gas heater and washing machine was purchased. Repairs were made to the boiler and outside buildings, and the exterior of the main building and several rooms were painted.

Respectfully yours,

REGINALD BLOWEY
WILLIAM L. WALL
SAMUEL A. RICHARDS
Board Public Welfare

INFIRMARY CREDITS

Milk	\$ 7,563.90
Eggs	1,057.01
Potatoes	54.00
Asparagus	64.55
Corn	120.00
Calves	20.00
Poultry	65.50
Hogs	1,590.10
Horses	75.00
Bags	412.72
Telephone	67.21
Sale of Old Truck	25.00
Trucking	21.00
Tractor Work	148.50
Soil Conservation	85.90
Boar Service	7.00
Eastern States Dividend	164.28
Inmates Board—Private	419.00
Inmates Board—Out of Town	2,526.94
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	\$14,487.61

Wood	\$ 75.00
Meals in Lockup	7.50
Inmates Board—Local	3,360.00
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	\$ 3,442.50

INFIRMARY DEBITS

Salary—Superintendent	\$ 1,887.27
Salaries—Employees	772.66
Provisions	2,257.39
Dry Goods & Clothing	194.21
Tobacco	61.53
Household Supplies	69.41
Telephone	212.15
Teeth	35.00
Medical	43.07
Gas & Electricity	260.84
Food Locker	57.21
Fuel	226.88
Grain & Feed	7,115.56
Fertilizer & Seed	79.00

Slaughtering & Dressing	16.00
Veterinary	72.40
Blacksmith	31.66
Poultry	80.00
Side Rake	125.00
Gasolene	578.18
Truck Insurance	73.15
Farm Bureau Dues	15.00
Middlesex County Testing Program	40.80
Westford Water Co.	102.39
Repairs	182.17
Supplies	181.41
Gas Heater	57.00
Painting	982.75
Washing Machine	134.95
Boiler repairs	129.25
Installing Toilet	112.00
Linoleum	244.00
Pasturing	30.00
Appraisers	15.00
Miscellaneous	22.63
Middlesex County Retirement	60.00
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	\$16,558.92

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

As Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Westford
I submit the following report for the year 1951.

Number of scales over 10,000 lbs.	2
Number of scales over 1,000 to 5,000 lbs.	29
Number of scales under 100 lbs.	15
Number of spring scales under 100 lbs.	4
Number of weights sealed	30
Number of Gasoline Meters—One inch diam.	21
Number of Kerosene Pumps	4
Number of Oil Measuring Pumps	2
Number of Vehicle Tank Meters	2
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Total	99

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT A. HILDRETH
Sealer of Weights and Measures

WESTFORD INFIRMARY APPRAISAL

December 15, 1951

STOCK AND FARM EQUIPMENT

1.	Hay Loader	\$ 225.00
2.	Manure	550.00
3.	One Manure Spreader	50.00
4.	Two One-Horse Hay Rakes	30.00
5.	One Sulky Plow	35.00
6.	One Two-horse Disc Harrow	5.00
7.	One Potato Digger	50.00
8.	Two Wagons and Two Sleds	15.00
9.	One Tip Cart	25.00
10.	Lumber	160.00
11.	One Drag (Steel Head)	10.00
12.	One Lime Spreader	50.00
13.	One Power Sprayer	8.00
14.	One Cornplanter	50.00
15.	One Cultivator	25.00
16.	One Hay Tedder	40.00
17.	One Tractor Harrow	65.00
18.	One Spring Tooth Harrow	8.00
19.	One Smoothing Harrow	3.00
20.	One Seed Sower and Weeder	40.00
21.	Two One-horse Cultivators	5.00
22.	Two Walking Plows	10.00
23.	One Two-horse Hoe	5.00
24.	One Ford Tractor	650.00
25.	One Tractor Plow	80.00
26.	One Tractor Pulley	30.00
27.	One Root Cutter	5.00
28.	Blacksmith's Tools	18.00
29.	One Feed Cooker	2.00
30.	One Saw Frame	25.00
31.	One Gas Tank and Gas	60.00
32.	One Two-horse Mowing Machine	45.00
33.	Swine	881.00
34.	Wood	120.00
35.	325 Laying Hens	820.00
36.	Milk Room and Milking Equipment	500.00
37.	Sixteen Cows	3,200.00
38.	One Bull	175.00
39.	Two two-year-old Heifers	300.00
40.	Two one-year-old Heifers	225.00

41.	Three Calves (4 to 6 months old)	140.00
42.	Grain	339.00
43.	Sixty Ton Ensilage	600.00
44.	125 Grain Bags	45.00
45.	One Corn Harvester	50.00
46.	One New Ensilage Cutter	150.00
47.	One One-horse Corn Planter	15.00
48.	Three Wheel Barrows	15.00
49.	One Motor Truck	1,750.00
50.	Sixty-Five Roosters	159.25
51.	One Side Delivery Rake	125.00
52.	Harness and Blankets	50.00
53.	One Hay Fork, Hoist and Motor	225.00
54.	Fifty ton Hay	1,500.00
55.	Fence Posts and Insulators	5.00
56.	Grindstone, Motor, and Scythe Grinder	30.00
57.	Chains, Whiffletrees, and Eveners	20.00
58.	Farm Tools	60.00
59.	Block and Tackle	10.00
60.	One Extension and Two Step Ladders	25.00
61.	One Planet Junior Seeder	8.00
62.	Three Chicken Crates	5.00
63.	One Gas Stoves	2.00
64.	Two Cross Cut Saws	8.00
65.	Garden Hose and Lawn Mower	20.00
66.	Carpenter's Tools	15.00
67.	Fire Hose and Nozzle	30.00
68.	One Electric Drill	35.00
69.	Brooder Equipment	32.00
70.	Soft Coal	178.00
71.	Milk Separator	10.00
72.	Platform Scales	20.00
73.	Eighty Gallons Fuel Oil	11.20
74.	Thirty Gallons Motor Oil	29.00
75.	Fertilizer and Lime	79.00
76.	Shavings and Sawdust	25.00
77.	Three Dusters	35.00
78.	One Electric Fence Unit	18.00
79.	Wooden Tank	10.00
80.	Twenty Gallons Asbestos Roof Coating	20.00
81.	Roofing Paper	16.00
82.	One Kitchen Stove	10.00
Total		\$14,529.45

HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT

1. Superintendent's Furniture	\$ 175.00
2. Kitchen and Pantry	400.00
3. Inmates' Furniture	380.00
4. Contents of Attic	50.00
5. Canned Goods and Empty Jars	243.85
6. Provisions	137.00
7. Potatoes and Vegetables	236.50
8. Blankets, Sheets, and Towels	166.00
9. Dry Goods	45.00
Total	\$ 1,833.35
Grand Total	<u>\$16,362.80</u>

CHARLES A. BLODGETT
WALLACE N. YOUNG
RAYMOND WILSON

Appraisers

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN'S DEPARTMENT

The tree department removed eight dead and dangerous trees. Trimming was confined to elm trees and storm damage. The shade tree laboratories at Amherst warn all towns and individuals that the best protection against the Dutch elm disease is constant pruning and burning of dead limbs. The tree department also assisted the highway department in removing 23 trees from Acton Road, and eight trees from Groton Road.

Twelve maple trees were planted in the town and this department would appreciate any contributions of desirable seedlings which will be planted as town shade trees.

Respectfully, submitted,

F. J. FITZPATRICK,
Tree Warden

1951 WESTFORD TOWN REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

Middlesex County maintains an Extension Service in Agriculture and Home Economics for the benefit of all towns within the County. This service is available to all citizens, especially farmers, home gardeners, homemakers, rural youth and 4-H Club boys and girls.

The work is developed by an unpaid board of trustees who maintain a staff of agents at the headquarters at 19 Everett Street, Concord. The Trustees appoint a director in each town to represent them in all phases of Extension Work or in a few cases towns elect a director and make an appropriation to help defray local expenses.

In addition to farm and home visits made upon request, local meetings are held or sectional or county-wide meetings or tours are helps available to everyone. A monthly bulletin is published, timely letters mailed on spraying, fertilizing, seeding, poultry problems, information to homemakers, boys' and girls' 4-H work or general community problems.

Some of the activities that took place last year in Westford are as follows:

Educational work with the dairymen was concentrated on programs to assist the farmers in solving their problems of raising better roughage, disease control and milk marketing. L. F. Bunker, Walter W. Fletcher, Wilfred C. Greenwood, John A. Kimball, George R. Tebbetts, Westford Town Farm, and George S. Wilder were enrolled in the Green Pasture Program for dairymen. The program was completed and they received appropriate seals for the work done.

Westford is one of the leading fruit growing towns in Middlesex County and the local grower took an active part in the orchard twilight meetings and other gatherings held of interest to orchardists. Downing Brothers did outstanding strawberry and blueberry production work. The University strawberry variety tests were held at Downings. Two strawberry meetings were held at Nabnasset through co-operation with Royal Shawcross of Frozen Products, Inc. Two orchard meetings were held at Ben Drew's.

Increased efficiency, flock health, greater breeding progress, and better marketing practices were the principal goals of the Extension Poultry Program. Efficient management practices and equipment were among the topics discussed at meetings of the Middlesex County Poultry Association, held at the Acton Town Hall on the second Monday of the month.

Rabbit breeders were given assistance through the Middlesex Commercial Rabbit Association, which meets monthly at the Extension Service "Schoolhouse" in Concord.

Assistance was also given to the 4H Baby Beef and Goat Breeder' projects.

Mrs. Willard Moore, Miss Ruth Chamberlain and Mrs. Ruth Hall are the Representatives of Westford on the Women's Advisory Council. The Program, "Understanding Ourselves and Others"—starring the "Tater Family" was very popular in Westford.

Although the Town of Westford is divided into several sections, 4-H Club work is carried on enthusiastically in the various localities. Clubs were led in the following projects—foods (both boys and girls), clothing, child care, and craft. Individual club members did work in canning and freezing. There were also clubs in poultry, garden and woodworking.

Mrs. Willard F. Moore was town chairman of all club work and the following people were leaders: Mrs. Mary Van Norden, Mrs. Frank Pearson, Miss Betty Morgan, Miss Esther Moore, and Mrs. Harold E. Lyons, Mr. Harold Hershfield, Mrs. Kenneth Clough, Miss Ruth Chamberlain and Mr. William Budge.

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR,
Town Director.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Balance on hand January 1, 1951	\$143,951.18
Total Receipts to December 31, 1951	452,705.86
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	\$596,657.04
Balance on hand December 31, 1951	\$161,691.62
Total payments to December 31, 1951	\$434,965.42
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	\$596,657.04

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLOTTE P. GREIG,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my report as Tax Collector for the Town of Westford, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1951.

Any questions in regard to the assessments of taxes should be presented to the Board of Assessors.

Warrants dated	Amounts	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1950
May 27, 1949, Real Estate	\$ 1,530.01	None
Dec. 9, 1949, Real Estate	14.70	none
May 25, 1950, Real Estate	10,386.79	1,624.84
Dec. 16, 1950, Real Estate	28.82	4.40
May 25, 1950, Personal Property	724.33	none
Dec. 16, 1950, Personal Property	33.22	none
April 17, 1950, Poll	14.00	2.00
Dec. 16, 1950, Poll	10.00	none
June 15, 1950, Excise	60.40	none
July 6, 1950, Excise	57.96	none
Nov. 1, 1950, Excise	1,735.89	none
Nov. 14, 1950, Excise	185.07	none
Nov. 30, 1950, Excise	141.92	none
Dec. 6, 1950, Excise	107.43	none
Dec. 6, 1950, Excise	6.00	none
Dec. 16, 1950, Excise	86.30	none
Dec. 26, 1950, Excise	51.86	none
June 12, 1951, Real Estate	176,955.29	11,893.24
Dec. 12, 1951, Real Estate	603.00	31.50
June 12, 1951, Personal Property	21,873.98	749.18
Dec. 12, 1951, Personal Property	74.25	none
April 30, 1951, Poll	2,700.00	16.00
Dec. 12, 1951, Poll	2.00	none
Feb. 12, 1951, Excise	3,524.77	3.28
Mar. 19, 1951, Excise	14,721.26	44.82
April 25, 1951, Excise	835.32	9.37
May 1, 1951, Excise	1,175.39	21.08
July 10, 1951, Excise	3,327.66	3.75
Aug. 31, 1951, Excise	661.43	4.73
Sept. 27, 1951, Excise	266.31	8.83
Nov. 30, 1951, Excise	2,779.16	534.48
Dec. 6, 1951, Excise	802.56	335.78
Dec. 26, 1951, Excise	1,304.30	36.61
1950 Excise Dated Jan. 9, 1951	49.57	none
1950 Excise Dated Jan. 13, 1951	57.68	none
Totals	\$246,888.63	
Total Outstanding Dec. 31, 1951		\$ 15,323.89

DAVID I. OLSSON, Tax Collector.

REPORT OF THE WESTFORD WATER COMPANY

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1951	\$254,187.73
Additions during the year 1951	14,172.07
	<u>\$268,359.80</u>

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

January 1, 1951 to December 31, 1951,
(Cash Basis)

RECEIPTS

Hydrants	\$ 4,713.75	
Public Buildings, Playgrounds, etc.	568.25	
Subscribers	27,225.87	
Installations	5,779.14	
Miscellaneous	169.38	
	<u>38,456.39</u>	

EXPENSES

Wages and Salaries	\$ 6,489.35	
Expense Account and Supplies	3,215.51	
Electric Power and Light	2,389.94	
Installations	4,473.96	
Taxes	6,403.98	
Depreciation	4,496.90	
	<u>27,469.64</u>	
Net Operating Profit		\$ 10,986.75
Loss from sale of Government Bonds	\$228.00	
Interest paid on Loans	683.43	
	<u>\$911.43</u>	
Interest received from Government Bonds	62.54	
	<u>848.89</u>	
Net Gain for the year 1951		\$ 10,137.86

WILLIAM R. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

January 25, 1952

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss.

Then personally appeared William R. Taylor and made oath that the above is a true statement of the cost of construction of the Westford Water Company to December 31, 1951 and of the Receipts and Expenditures from January 1, 1951 to December 31, 1951, before me.

PERRY T. SNOW, Notary Public

My Commission Expires October 24, 1952

REPORT OF THE MOTH DEPARTMENT

The Moth Department sprayed all trees in town with D. D. T., with an oil base. This is recommended by the State as the best all round spray. Elm trees, wherever possible, were given two sprays. There was a heavy infestation of elm beetle in the Graniteville area. Samples from elm trees were sent to Amherst to be inspected for Dutch elm disease. The findings were negative. To the best of my knowledge, there are no cases of Dutch elm in the town.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. FITZPATRICK,
Moth Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EMILY F. FLETCHER LECTURE FUND

The trustees of the Emily F. Fletcher Fund presented Stewart Anderson of Needham in his illustrated travelogue entitled "15,000 Miles in a Modern Covered Wagon" before Westford audiences on the afternoon and evening of April 27, 1951. The school children were special guests at the meeting held in Abbot Hall in Forge Village at 3 o'clock. The children seemed to enjoy the pictures very much and were delighted with those of Belinda, Mr. Anderson's dog. Had it been possible to provide the usual bus transportation there would have been a much larger audience. Mr. Anderson was presented to the children by Miss Howard.

At 8 o'clock at the Town Hall in Westford center a large audience listened to a repetition of the travelogue with great appreciation. Before Miss Howard introduced Mr. Anderson she told something of Miss Fletcher's life and Miss Day showed pictures of the donor of the fund as she appeared in younger years and in old age.

Fee of Mr. Anderson	\$100.00
Receipts from the lectures	31.16
Minor expenses	18.82
Dinner for Mr. Anderson	\$2.00
Lantern operators	5.00
Postage and telephone	1.68
Advertisement in Lowell Sun	3.90
Tax	6.24
Returned to the fund	12.34

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR
ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary
MAY E. DAY
CHARLES E. CARROLL

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of the Town of Westford:

I herewith present the annual report of the Town Accountant in accordance with the General Laws.

All are reminded by the Accountant that all books are open to the public for inspection at any time.

No State Audit was made for the year 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA FLETCHER,
Town Accountant.

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

Current Year:

Poll	\$ 2,240.00
Personal Property	21,187.80
Real Estate	162,668.08
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	\$186,095.88

Previous Years:

Poll	\$ 18.00
Personal Property	720.15
Real Estate	10,026.64
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	\$ 10,764.79

Tax Title Redemptions	108.12
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Licenses and Permits:

Liquor	\$ 3,362.50
One-day Beer Licenses	11.00
Amusement	240.00
Movie	51.00
Common victualler	22.00
Sunday	28.00
Gasoline	34.00

Pedlar	20.00
Ice Cream	15.00
Milk	13.50
Pistol	5.50
Music	9.00
Oleo permits	3.00
Junk	5.00
Used Car	5.00
Second Hand Auto Parts	5.00
Taxi	1.00
Camp	1.00
Advertising Expense	99.25
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	\$ 3,930.75

Payroll Deductions:

Withholding Tax	\$ 17,466.99
Retirement System	2,812.35
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	\$ 20,279.34

From State:

Income Taxes	\$ 48,539.39
Corporation Taxes	37,118.68
Old Age Meal Tax	861.67
Tuition and Transportation, schools	11,916.30
Franchise Tax	72.51
English-speaking classes	32.50
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	\$ 98,541.05

Dog Taxes:

From town	\$ 1,156.20
From county	762.69
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	\$ 1,918.89

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax:

Levy of 1950	\$ 2,402.20
Levy of 1951	26,508.01
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	\$ 28,910.21

Isabel F. Hyams Fund Gift	300.00
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Grants from Federal Government:

Old Age Assistance	\$ 23,685.82
Aid to Dependent Children	3,798.38
Old Age Assistance, administration	1,366.40
Aid to Dependent Children, administration	203.27

\$ 29,053.87

Court Fines \$ 120.00

Departmental Revenue:**General Government:**

Tax Collector, charges and fees	\$ 9.50
Town Hall Rent	154.00

\$ 163.50

Health Department:

Subsidy from State \$ 370.71

Sealer of Weights and Measures \$ 70.10

Highway Department:

Chapter 81 Roads	\$ 19,887.97
Chapter 90 Roads	2,398.25
Road Machinery Fund	3,824.50
Work for Individuals	493.41

\$ 26,604.13

Veterans' Benefits \$ 1,329.20

Welfare Department:

Infirmary, town	\$ 11,960.67
Infirmary, other towns	2,526.94
Aid to Dependent Children	2,512.28

Old Age Assistance:

State	\$ 15,846.91
Town	659.35
Refunds	493.93 17,000.19

\$ 34,000.08

School Department:

Vending machine	\$ 7.65
Tuition	521.86

\$ 529.51

Library, fines and sales	\$	76.30
Cemeteries:		
Sale of lots	\$	75.00
Care of lots		539.00
Digging graves		621.00
Grade grave		20.00
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	\$	1,255.00
Interest:		
Deposits in Savings Banks	\$	707.02
Deferred Taxes		412.70
Metcalf Monument Fund		32.50
Sale of lots		13.87
Tax Titles		9.50
Perpetual Care, Cemeteries		805.00
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	\$	1,980.59
Interest Withdrawals:		
Fletcher Lecture Fund	\$	100.00
Playground Fund		140.00
Cemetery Fund		746.00
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	\$	986.00
Cemetery Trust Funds:		
Perpetual Care	\$	1,780.00
Lyman Wilkens Fund		35.00
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	\$	1,815.00
Sale of Fire Truck	\$	85.50
School Activities Funds:		
School Milk Program	\$	2,539.80
School Athletics		474.75
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	\$	3,013.90
Emily Fletcher Lecture Fund door receipts ..	\$	12.34
Refunds, departmental	\$	391.10
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Total Receipts		\$452,705.86
Balance, January 1, 1951		143,951.18
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		\$596,657.04
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EXPENDITURES

General Government:

Selectmen:

Salaries	\$ 845.00
Dues and Expenses	40.00
Printing and postage	46.70
Advertisements	52.32
Walk Town Lines	20.00

\$ 1,004.02

Town Accountant:

Salary	\$ 1,100.00
Bind ledgers	23.50
Postage and stationery	32.85
Dues	3.00

\$ 1,159.35

Town Treasurer:

Salary	\$ 1,880.00
Bond and insurance	176.50
Envelopes	100.13
Checks	104.87
Repair typewriter	16.50
Dues	2.00

\$ 2,280.00

Finance Committee	\$ 34.00
License Expense	\$ 133.39
Town Counsel	\$ 300.00

Assessors:

Wages, Assessors	\$ 1,497.40
Wages, clerk	115.50
Printing, postage	129.35
Prepare Notice of Tax Taking	35.00
Dues	9.00

\$ 1,786.25

Tax Collector:

Salary	\$ 1,800.00
Bond	271.25
Envelopes and stamps	229.61
Printing and stationery	97.02
Dues	2.00

Prepare Tax Takings	31.41	
Advertisements	57.75	
		\$ 2,489.04
Town Clerk:		
Salary	\$ 400.00	
Recording fees	198.00	
Printing	135.93	
Oaths to town officials	10.50	
Surety bond	7.50	
Binding books	54.50	
Express charges	2.85	
Dues and expenses	64.50	
		\$ 873.78
Registration and Election:		
Wages, Registrars' Meetings	\$ 63.00	
Wages, Election Officers	166.00	
Listings	809.40	
Checkers at Town Meeting	14.00	
Stationery and printing	72.81	
Advertisements	30.00	
Rent of Halls	21.00	
Ballots	76.95	
Work on Annual Register	45.00	
Revise Check Lists	65.00	
Metal File Case	84.25	
		\$ 1,447.41
Maps and Survey	\$ 498.41	
Tax Title Expense	\$ 510.25	
Town Hall:		
Salary, janitor	\$ 1,681.00	
Fuel	912.39	
Lights	233.41	
Janitor's supplies	95.10	
Repairs	168.47	
Telephone	255.23	
Water	20.00	
Clean cesspools	48.00	
Postoffice box rent	2.40	
		\$ 3,416.00
		\$ 15,931.90

Protection of Persons and Property:

Insurance:

Compensation	\$ 2,226.98	
Fire	2,033.74	
		\$ 4,260.72

Police Department:

Salaries	\$ 7,028.00	
Special Officers	816.29	
Assistant's Car	900.00	
Repairs to Equipment	150.53	
Police Supplies	34.52	
Police Uniforms	99.75	
Telephone	273.07	
Gasoline and Oil	666.89	
Radio Service	65.00	
Garage Rent	48.00	
Dues and Police Convention	25.00	
Insurance	122.25	
		\$ 10,229.30

New Police Cruiser \$ 413.33

Fire Department:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 2,177.97	
Gasoline	254.98	
Repairs to Equipment	191.02	
Fuel	897.59	
Lights	144.51	
Repairs to Buildings	332.08	
Telephone	253.17	
Insurance	1,268.68	
Dues	3.00	
Supplies for Fire Department	246.19	
Covers, clamps, bars	331.43	
Water	43.95	
Install Sirens	618.60	
Hired Trucks	11.20	
Tires and Tubes	114.02	
Batteries	96.03	
Raincoats	126.74	
		\$ 7,111.16

Salary, Permanent Man	\$ 500.00
New Fire Hose	2,025.00
New Boiler, Westford Fire House	554.74
Hydrant Service	4,713.75

Forest Fires:

Forest Warden	\$ 25.00
Fighting fires	1,356.60
Repairs to equipment	11.02
Supplies and equipment	303.58
Use of equipment	10.00
Gasoline	30.52
Insurance	96.65
Advertisement	5.50
Telephone calls	76.00
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	\$ 1,914.87

New Truck, Forestry Department	2,999.32
New Forestry Hose	679.20

Tree Department:

Wages for labor	\$ 572.40
Equipment	41.65
Gas and oil	8.90
Repairs	30.34
Garage rent	18.00
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	\$ 671.29

Improvements to Graniteville

Memorial:

Shrubs	\$ 132.53
Loam	15.00
Labor	28.40
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	\$ 175.93

Moth Department:

Wages for labor	\$ 523.80
Equipment and repairs	182.57
Gas and oil	59.46
Insurance	57.29
Garage rent	36.00
Insecticide	325.95
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	\$ 1,185.07

Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00
Fix Water Hole, Parker Village	169.50

\$ 37,728.18

Health Department:

Administration	\$ 158.00
Tuberculosis, board and treatment	655.50
Nurse, salary	2,300.00
Dairy Inspector	50.00

Car:

Insurance	\$ 57.97
Gasoline and oil	176.60
Repairs	119.85 \$ 354.42
Care of dump	456.50
Inspections	39.00
Clinics	200.00
Garage rent	30.00
Medical supplies	66.88
Miscellaneous	30.24

\$ 4,340.54

Animal Inspector	200.00
Middlesex County T. B. Hospital	3,411.63
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	1,955.10

\$ 9,907.27

Highway Department:

Street Lights	\$ 7,461.58
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Snow and Ice Removal:

Wages	\$ 6,116.57
Sand	1,672.68
Salt	1,575.00
Hired trucks	1,541.00
Repairs to equipment	1,011.37
Blades	321.71
Gasoline	716.22
Grease and oil	81.32
Zerex	45.18

\$ 13,081.05

Town Roads Account:

Wages	\$ 1,039.85
Building wall	2,565.00
Gasoline	39.00
Stone	295.00
Sand, gravel, etc.	92.26
Cement and lumber	56.40
Use of compressor	20.00
Highway supplies	180.01
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	\$ 4,287.52

New Truck, Highway Department 5,038.30

New Road Signs: Lumber 13.50

Chapter 81 Roads:

Wages for Labor	\$ 18,234.95
Stone	5,427.46
Sand	322.65
Asphalt	7,146.76
Fence Construction	705.50
Loam	193.50
Culvert Pipe and Blocks	364.99
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	\$ 32,395.81

Chapter 90 Maintenance:

Wages for labor	\$ 1,240.85
Stone and gravel	651.78
Asphalt	1,102.30
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	\$ 2,994.93

North Street Reconstruction:

Wages for labor	\$ 7,649.60
Culvert pipe	1,171.04
Sand and gravel	294.26
Asphalt	409.29
Grates	280.00
Basin frames	354.22
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	\$ 10,158.41

Road Machinery Account:

Tires and tubes	\$ 715.23
Garage rent	825.00
Equipment and repairs	1,595.67
Insurance	657.16
Gasoline	1,118.23
Oil, grease, kerosene	152.67
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	\$ 5,063.96

\$ 80,495.06

Welfare Department: (see reports)

Temporary Aid	\$ 10,132.25
Town Infirmary	16,558.92
Old Age Assistance	45,288.80
Old Age Assistance, admin- istration	1,390.60
Aid to Dependent Children	7,246.16
Aid to Dependent Children, administration	340.00
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\$ 80,956.73

Veterans' Benefits:

Administration	\$ 580.00
Director of Veterans' Services	100.00
Stationery and photo supplies	21.41
Dues	5.00
Cash grants to individuals	1,158.55
Fuel	270.50
Groceries	649.00
Medical care and hospitalization	93.00
Dental expense	10.00
Clothing	36.82
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\$ 2,924.28

School Department (see report)	142,218.84
Vocational Tuition	2,505.00
Improvements at Sargent School....	1,175.00

School Activities Funds:

School Milk Program:

Milk	\$ 2,531.51
Straws	27.64
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\$ 2,559.15

School Athletics:

Officials. for games	\$ 386.00	
Tax on games	77.96	
Athletic equipment	886.31	
Scorebooks	12.19	
Telephone expense	12.75	
Recondition athletic equipment	266.50	
League dues	10.00	
Guarantees	22.35	
Miscellaneous	37.68	
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		\$ 1,711.74

School Planning Board:

School survey	\$ 1,800.00	
Prepare school survey reports	172.76	
Architect's services	350.00	
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		\$ 2,322.76

Town Library (see report)	4,342.94
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Cemeteries:

General:

Administration	\$ 200.00	
Wages for labor	3,237.75	
Trees and Shrubs	250.00	
Fertilizer	111.60	
New Mowers	431.40	
Repairs to equipment	186.56	
Safe Deposit Box	12.00	
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		\$ 4,429.31

Trust Funds:

Perpetual Care	\$ 2,585.00	
Lyman Wilkens Fund	35.00	
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		\$ 2,620.00
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		\$ 7,049.31

Unclassified:

Whitney Playground:

Wages for labor _____	\$ 660.60
Water _____	20.00
Repairs and equipment _____	60.49
Loam and clay _____	62.15
Hot-top walk on playground _____	135.00
Repair benches, etc. _____	256.00
Harrow tennis court _____	6.00

\$ 1,200.24

Town Common:

Salary _____	\$ 300.00
Meter service _____	12.00
Repairs and equipment _____	34.98
Christmas tree lights _____	9.76
New Mower _____	160.00
Loam and clay _____	32.75
Lawn seed _____	19.00

\$ 568.49

Metcalf Monument Fund _____	32.50
Publishing Town Reports _____	1,107.15
Memorial Day _____	369.30
Band Concerts _____	400.00
Unpaid Bill of Previous Years _____	500.62
Emily Fletcher Lecture Fund _____	100.00
Middlesex County Retirement System _____	1,788.00
Claims for Damages _____	380.00

Civil Defense:

Telephone _____	\$ 45.70
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For Fire Department:

Sirens _____	577.31
Rewire sirens _____	102.00
Connect siren in Nabnassett _____	26.51
Equipment _____	150.65
Binoculars _____	50.00
Radio, speaker, antenna _____	64.65
Walkie-talkie set _____	275.00
Portable pump _____	150.00
Radio set, Forestry department _____	451.94
Civil Defense supplies _____	16.94

\$ 1,910.70

Payments to County:

Dog Taxes	\$ 1,082.40
County Tax	11,203.48

\$ 12,285.88

Payments to State:

State parks and reservations....	\$ 528.80
Audit of municipal accounts....	818.44

\$ 1,347.24

Payroll Deductions:

Withholding Tax	\$ 17,466.99
Retirement System	2,812.35

\$ 20,279.34

\$ 42,269.46

Abandoned Property, to state	21.05
Refunds, taxes	846.75

Total Expenditures \$434,965.42

Balance, December 31, 1951 161,691.62

\$596,657.04

TOWN OF WESTFORD — BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1951

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:		
In Bank and Office	\$161,691.62	
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1950:		
Poll	\$ 2.00	
Real Estate	1,620.44	
Levy of 1951:		
Poll	18.00	
Personal	749.18	
Real Estate	11,924.74	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1951		14,314.36
Tax Titles	1,955.44	1,002.71
Tax Possessions	1,495.66	3,451.10
Departmental:		
Temporary Aid	321.93	
Infirmary	439.10	
Aid to Dependent Children	844.45	
Old Age Assistance	.83	
Schools	148.60	
Highway	51.00	
Cemetery	182.00	1,987.91

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Sale of Real Estate	\$ 1,010.00	
Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	614.03	
Dog Licenses—Due County	117.60	
Tailings	134.41	
Highway Road Machinery Fund	3,824.50	
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1950	\$ 2,805.40	
Levy of 1951	1,534.09	
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		4,339.49
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		8,313.46
State and County Aid to		
Highways	16,454.38	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Tax	1,002.71	
Departmental	1,987.91	
Tax Titles and Possessions	3,451.10	
		22,896.10
Unexpended Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance—Aid	5,129.31	
Old Age Assistance—		
Administration	16.16	
Aid to Dependent Children—Aid	1,752.01	
Aid to Dependent Children—		
Administration	49.16	
		6,946.64

State Aid to Highways:			
Chapter 81	6,454.38		96.40
Chapter 90	6,000.00		186.25
County Aid to Highways	4,000.00	16,454.38	282.65
Underestimates:			4,812.01
Middlesex County Tuberculosis:			
Hospital	730.05		146,712.30
County Tax	451.89	1,181.94	80.83
		\$200,084.02	\$200,084.02
School Activities Funds:			
Athletics			
Milk Program			
Unexpended Appropriation			
Balances			
Surplus Revenue			
Overestimate:			
State Parks and Reservations			

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

Citizens of Westford:

The Finance Board report is being supplemented this year with a brief explanation of the important changes in the budgets in order that you may be better acquainted with the problems.

ESTIMATED 1952 TAX RATE

The total appropriations as recommended by the Finance Board totals \$337,335.00, up \$11,290 from 1951. After deducting estimated state and county taxes of \$19,000 from estimated receipts of \$155,000, this leaves a balance of \$201,335 to be raised by taxation. Based on valuations of approximately \$4,400,000 this means the rate if the boards recommendations are followed will be approximately \$45.70 per thousand valuation. For every increase of \$1,000 in expenditures the rate will increase approximately 23 cents.

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS

Meetings were held with the various departments and agreement was reached on most of the regular budget items. There are minor adjustments of not more than \$300 each in several departments, mostly due to salary adjustments and increased cost of supplies. The major change in requests are as follows:

Schools — The largest increase in the town budget is in the School Department and amounts to \$10,600.

Of this \$7,865 is for increased teachers' salaries, an increase of \$200 per teacher to bring the rate to the state minimum. Increases in supplies, janitors' salaries, bus transportation, and general control and repairs account for the balance.

Vocational Tuition — An increased number of students now numbering twenty are attending Vocational School.

Registration and Election — Four elections in 1952 necessitates an increase of \$1,250 in this budget.

Police — The police requested "increases in salaries of one dollar a day to cover the taxes that the government takes out." The Finance Board cannot recommend an increase on this basis.

Welfare — The welfare budget is based on the number of cases being handled at the end of the year at the rate prescribed by the state. We are pleased to see an overall reduction in this budget.

In the Infirmary account, the Finance Board has recommended the purchase of a new tractor to replace the present one. It has also recommended a new sink and refrigerator and repairs to the silo.

Assessors — An increase of \$300 is recommended primarily to clear the title on certain lots of land that they may be sold by the town and brought back on the list as assessable property.

Town Roads — An increase of \$2,000 is recommended in this department. More money is required to meet increased cost of materials and to repair some of the town roads that are in poor condition.

Civilian Defense — The Finance Board has followed the example of many of the other towns of the state in not recommending a larger budget until conditions warrant the expense. Purchases made in 1951 were for equipment currently useful to the town and the Civilian Defense Director is to be commended on the work done.

SPECIAL ARTICLES

The special articles requiring substantial funds are as follows:

Fire Department — In view of the fact that there are several pieces of apparatus in town that are eighteen or nineteen years old and because in the near future Westford is faced with the tremendous cost of a new school, it seems advisable to replace one of the pieces of apparatus at this time. We believe a plan for the overall development of the department should be carefully worked out.

The department has asked for \$1,000 for two mobile radio sets. The Finance Board has recommended the base set for the year under the Civilian Defense budget as it is possible the government will refund part of the cost. Next year the program should probably be completed with the purchase of the two sets.

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT — 5.7%

Article No.	Department	1951		1952	
		Expense		Request	Recommended
3- 1	Selectmen	\$	1,004.02	\$	1,000.00
	Finance Committee		34.00		200.00
	License Expense		133.39		150.00
	Town Accountant		1,159.35		1,375.00
	Town Treasurer		2,280.00		2,500.00
	Tax Title Expense		510.25		750.00
	Assessors		1,786.25		2,300.00
28	Maps and Survey		498.41		500.00
3- 1	Tax Collector		2,489.04		2,500.00
	Town Counsel		300.00		300.00
	Town Clerk		873.78		937.50
35	New Typewriter — Town Clerk		-----	175.00	175.00
3- 1	Registration and Election		1,447.41		2,800.00
3- 2	Town Hall		3,416.00		3,544.00
23	Refinish Lower Town Hall		-----	625.00	200.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY—10.95%

Article No. Department	1951 Expense	1952 Request	Recommended
3-22 Insurance — Fire and Compensation	\$ 4,260.72	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00
3- 3 Police Department	10,229.30	10,985.00	10,255.00
3- 4 Fire Department	7,111.16	7,500.00	7,500.00
Fire Dept. — Permanent Man	500.00	500.00	500.00
3- 5 Hydrants	\$ 4,713.75	\$ 4,770.00	\$ 4,770.00
45 New Hydrants		204.00	204.00
11 New Fire Hose	2,025.00	575.00	575.00
15 Scott Air Pack		225.00	
16 New Fire Truck		4,000.00	4,000.00
19 Repairs, Forge Fire House		500.00	500.00
13 Sirens — Forge and Graniteville			
14 Radios for Fire Trucks			
3- 7 Forest Fires	1,914.87	1,000.00	1,600.00
12 New Forestry Hose		1,600.00	225.00
3- 6 Sealer of Weights and Measures	125.00	125.00	125.00
3- 9 Tree Warden	671.29	1,000.00	1,000.00
34 Tree Planting Fund		100.00	100.00
3-10 Moth Department	1,185.07	1,400.00	1,400.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT — 1.54%

Article No.	Department	1951 Expense	1952 Request	Recommended
3-11	Health Department	\$ 4,340.54	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
3-12	Cattle Inspector	200.00	200.00	200.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — 12.1%

3-25	Street Lights	\$ 7,641.58	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
42-44	New Street Lights	25.00	25.00	25.00
3-13	Snow and Ice Removal	13,081.05	10,000.00	10,000.00
	Town Roads Account	4,287.52	7,000.00	7,000.00
5	Chapter 81 Roads	32,395.81	10,125.00	10,125.00
6	Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,994.93	1,000.00	1,000.00
7	Road Machinery Account	5,063.96	1,175.50	1,175.50
8	Beaver Brook Road Construction		2,000.00	2,000.00
9	Graniteville Road Construction		1,000.00	1,000.00
26	Sidewalk Repairs		500.00	500.00

CHARITIES — 14.64%

3-14	Temporary Aid	\$ 10,132.25	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 5,100.00
	Town Infirmary	16,558.92	17,100.00	17,100.00
	Disability Allowance		4,400.00	4,400.00
	Old Age Assistance	45,288.80	21,000.00	21,000.00
	Aid to Dependent Children	7,246.16	1,800.00	1,800.00

VETERANS' BENEFITS — 0.89%

Article No. Department

3-15 Veterans' Benefits -----

	1951	1952	Recommended
	Expense	Request	
	\$ 2,924.28	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT — 48.03%

3-16 School Department -----

3-17 Vocational Tuition -----

21 Improvement at Frost School -----

22 School Athletics -----

	\$142,218.84	\$154,500.00	\$154,500.00
	2,505.00	5,300.00	5,300.00
		1,225.00	1,225.00
	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00

LIBRARY — 1.09%

3-18 Library -----

	\$ 4,342.94	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 3,700.00
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RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED — 3.85%

27 Whitney Playground -----

3-19 Town Common -----

25 Hot-top Common Walk -----

3-26 Finance Committee Reserve Fund -----

3-21 Publish Town Reports -----

3-20 Memorial Day -----

20 Civil Defense -----

24 Band Concerts -----

	\$ 1,200.24	\$ 1,075.00	\$ 800.00
	568.49	500.00	500.00
		150.00	150.00
	2,497.01	5,000.00	5,000.00
	1,107.15	1,200.00	1,200.00
	369.30	400.00	400.00
	1,910.70	3,045.00	700.00
	400.00	600.00	600.00

Article No. Department

		1951 Expense	1952 Request	Recommended
3-27	Unpaid Bills, others Years	500.62	100.00	100.00
29	Middlesex County Retirement System	1,788.00	1,874.16	1,874.16
38	School Planning Committee	2,322.76	500.00	500.00
40	Stock Ponds	-----	300.00	300.00
32	Legion — Nabnasset Post — Rent of Quarters	-----	300.00	300.00
33	Veterans of Foreign Wars — Rent of Quarters	-----	550.00	550.00

CEMETERIES — 1.18%

3-24	Cemeteries	\$ 4,429.31	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
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INTEREST — 0.007%

3-23	Interest on Revenue Loans	-----	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
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Article 10 — The Finance Board does not feel it is advisable to increase the number of Fire Engineers at this time.

Article 17 — The Finance Board does not recom-mend the transfer of the fire truck to Nabnasset.

Article 30 — The Finance Board recommends that the gift of the Solomon Hynes Fund, Inc. be accepted and that a vote of appreciation be extended to the donors.

Article 31 — The Finance Board recommends that the legacy left the town be accepted with appreciation.

Article 37 — The Finance Board recommends that bids be obtained for the purchase of fuel oil for town owned buildings.

Article 39 — The Finance Board recommends that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee to study traffic conditions and make recommendations at the next town meeting.

Article 41 — The Finance Board cannot recommend the acceptance of a public way only 23 feet in width.

Article 46 — The Finance Board does not recommend the use of Available Funds in view of the fact that the town will probably build a new school within the next few years. Cash reserve should remain as high as possible for that purpose.

FINANCE BOARD:

E. KENT ALLEN
HERFORD ELLIOTT
W. OTIS DAY
ALBERT FORTY
ALLISTER MacDOUGALL
VICTOR B. DALY

TOWN OF WESTFORD WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Westford, in said County,

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, to notify and warn all the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections, and also in Town affairs, to meet at their several polling places, viz:

- PRECINCT 1. Town hall, Westford Center.
- PRECINCT 2. Legion Hall, Graniteville.
- PRECINCT 3. Nabnasset School, Brookside.
- PRECINCT 4. Abbot Hall, Forge Village.

MONDAY, MARCH 3, 1952

being the first Monday in said month, at 12:00 o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes for the following officers:

FOR THREE YEARS

- One Selectman.
- One member of the Board of Public Welfare.
- One Assessor.
- Two members of the School Committee.
- One member of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners.
- One Trustee of J. V. Fletcher Library.
- One member of the Board of Health.

FOR ONE YEAR

- One Tree Warden.

All on one ballot.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 8 P. M., and to meet in the Town Hall at Westford Center on the following

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 1952

at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act upon the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Town Officers and Committees; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To determine the salary and compensation of elected officers and officials as provided by law.

ARTICLE 3. To appropriate money to meet the costs and expenses of the following departments, officers and purposes:

1. General Government.
2. Town Hall.
3. Police Department.
4. Fire Department.
5. Hydrants.
6. Sealer of Weights and Measures.
7. Forest Fires.
8. Town Forest.
9. Tree Warden.
10. Moth Department.
11. Health Department.
12. Cattle Inspector.
13. Highway purposes.
14. Department of Public Welfare.
15. Soldiers' Benefits.
16. School Department.
17. Vocational tuition.
18. Public Library.
19. Care of Common.
20. Commemoration of Memorial Day.
21. Publishing of Town Reports.
22. Fire and other insurance.
23. Interest on Revenue Loans.
24. Cemeteries.
25. Street Lights.
26. Finance Committee Reserve Fund.
27. Unpaid bills of previous years.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway maintenance; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Eleven Hundred Seventy-Five and 50/100 (\$1175.50) Dollars, or some other sum, for the Highway Machinery Fund, and to transfer a certain sum of money from said Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment Account; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing Beaver Brook Road, contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of One Thousand (1,000.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of reconstructing Graniteville Road, contingent upon the State and County contributing towards the cost of said reconstruction; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to increase the number of Fire Engineers from three to five, and specify of the two new engineer appointments one be made from Nabnassett and one from Parker Village; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing 500 feet, or some other quantity, of new two and one-half inch fire hose, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing five hundred feet, or some other quantity, of hose to be used by the Forest Fire Department, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Forest Warden; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of purchasing two new sirens to be placed at Graniteville and Forge Village; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing two radios and installing the same on two of the fire trucks, said purchase and installation to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five (\$225.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing a Scott Air Pack; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Four Thousand (\$4,000.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing a new fire truck, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote in the event that a new fire truck is purchased for the Westford Center Fire House, to transfer the Chevrolet truck which is now at Westford to Nabnasett, and provide suitable housing therefor; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. In event of an affirmative vote under Article 16, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Fire Engineers to transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the Chevrolet now stationed at Westford Center Fire House, and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of a new fire truck; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of making repairs to the interior of the Fire House at Forge Village; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of Civil Defense; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Twelve Hundred (\$1200.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of making certain improvements to the Frost School; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of One Thousand (1,000.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the athletic program in the Westford Schools or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-Five (\$625.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of painting and refinishing the lower Town Hall, including the sanding and refinishing of floors; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Six Hundred (\$600.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for Band Concerts during the current year; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of hot-topping the walk or path through the Town Common and the sidewalk bordering the Town Common, said work to be done under the supervision of the Highway Department; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of repairing certain public sidewalks; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Seven Hundred (\$700.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the care of the Whitney Playgrounds; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of continuing the survey and maps of the Town under the supervision of the Board of Assessors; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Eighteen Hundred Seventy-Four and 16/100 (\$1874.16) Dollars, for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of the Middlesex County Retirement System the amounts allocated to the Town of Westford by the County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift made to it during the year 1951 by the Solomon Hyams Fund, Inc.; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept a legacy given to it by Mary Atwood, late of Westford, deceased, testate, by her will duly proved and allowed by the Probate Court for Middlesex County; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of providing suitable quarters in the Nabnasset Section of said Westford for the Nabnasset American Legion Post No. 437 and the Auxiliary of said Post; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Fifty (\$550.00) Dollars to provide quarters for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 6539, Westford, Mass., of which Two Hundred Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars be reimbursed to said organization for payment of rent for eight months of 1951 and Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars to provide quarters for the year 1952; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing and planting trees, said purchase and work to be done under the supervision of the Tree Warden; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Five (\$175.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of purchasing a new Royal typewriter for the use by the Town Clerk, said purchase to be made under the supervision of the Town Clerk; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 36. In event of an affirmative vote under Article 35, to see if the Town will authorize the Town Clerk to transfer by a good and sufficient Bill of Sale title to the old typewriter now used by him as Town Clerk and apply the sum received therefor against the purchase price of the new typewriter; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to require the obtaining of bids in connection with the purchase of fuel oil used for heating such town owned buildings as are supported by public funds, such as the Town Hall, schools, library, fire houses, etc, and to limit the right to submit bids to such dealers as are real estate taxpayers of the Town and have an established business or route in Westford; or take any action thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the School Planning Committee appointed under Article 1 of the warrant for the annual town meeting held March 10, 1951 and continued in office under Article 1 of this warrant; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will take any action relative to the regulation of traffic and the parking of vehicles on the public ways of the Town; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars, or some other sum, for the purpose of stocking in conjunction with the Town of Littleton the same pond or other inland waters as are bordered upon by both the Town of Westford and the Town of Littleton under the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 5 (41) of the General Laws; and that said sum be expended under the supervision of a Committee of three persons appointed by the Moderator, two members of which committee shall be members of a sporting club; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to accept Hill Street as laid out by the Selectmen as shown by their report and plan duly filed in the office of the Town Clerk; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one street light or more on West Street; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install three street lights on Hartford Road; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to install one street light on Chamberlain Road north of Main Street, pole No. 11; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to enter into a contract with the Westford Water Company at present hydrant rental for six additional hydrants to be located as follows: 1 on Grove Street, 2 on Edwards Avenue, 1 on Byrne Avenue, 1 on Gassett Road and 1 on Lake Shore Drive; or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds not in excess of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars to be deducted by the Assessors under the provisions of Chapter 798 of the Acts of 1951 from the amount required to be assessed by them; or act in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up true and attested copies thereof at the Town Hall and at each Post Office in said Westford, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding the first meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, 1952.

CYRIL A. BLANEY
EDWARD F. HARRINGTON
THOMAS W. GOWER
Selectmen of Westford

A true copy,
Attest:

Constable of Westford

Annual Report
OF THE
School Committee
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,
1951

ORGANIZATION—SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Frederick W. Gatenby, Chairman	Term Expires 1952
Edgar S. Peterson	Term Expires 1952
Robert J. Heman, Jr.	Term Expires 1953
F. Stanley Smith, Secretary	Term Expires 1953
Clifford J. Courchaine	Term Expires 1954
Edward N. Lamson	Term Expires 1954

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Peter F. Perry

Office—Westford Academy

Telephone 561

Office hours: 8:30 A. M.—4:30 P. M.

CLERK

Mrs. Constance L. Malloy

SCHOOL TELEPHONES

Cameron School 542

Sargent School 553

Wm. E. Frost School 230

Westford Academy 771

Nabnassett School 233

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dwight W. Cowles, M. D., Westford, Mass.

—Tel. 521

SCHOOL NURSE

Dorothy Healy, R. N., Westford, Mass.

Tel. Office 391, Town Hall

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Westford:

The Superintendent's report has been read and accepted by the School Committee.

During the year 1951 we have held fourteen executive meetings of the School Committee, eleven of which were regular and three special. In addition to these meetings at least two of the members have attended an unrecorded number of other meetings and conferences on official matters with the School Building Committee, Finance Committee and the Selectmen.

Our primary purpose is to provide a good system of public education from grade one through twelve. We feel that we are accomplishing this purpose and that we are furnishing the type and quality of educational service which the Town and the State demand.

During the past year we have authorized the addition of one teacher to our staff. This was a Remedial Reading teacher who we feel will help improve our educational program.

The Committee is asking for the amount of \$154,500.00 to operate the schools in Westford for the school year 1952, and the sum of \$5,300.00 for Vocational Tuition and Transportation.

Under the provision of the State Law, plus the usual reimbursement for transportation, out-of-town tuition, and State Wards the Town will receive approximately \$44,422.32 which is an increase of \$1,894.02 over last year's returns. This will bring the net cost to the town down to \$110,077.68.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. GATENBY,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Westford School Committee:

Gentlemen:

It is a privilege and pleasure for me to present my fourth annual report of your schools in Westford. Continuing the practice of past years it includes the reports of the principal of the High School, supervisors, school physician and nurse, and the usual tables and statistical data.

Our American civilization is based on a system of universal free education that stresses the responsibility of our schools to contribute to a happy and useful life for each individual child.

The program of our schools should contribute to an improved daily life for every boy and girl. Children, in order to effectively profit from their education and realize their own abilities, must master the fundamental tools of learning, acquire good health habits, have intellectual and aesthetic interests and develop loyalties that will enable them to discharge their civic duties and responsibilities in a democratic civilization. It is the responsibility of the public schools to develop intelligent and informed individuals, who are thoroughly aware of the advantages of our American way of life and are ready to make whatever sacrifices are necessary for its preservation.

Following is the report of Mr. Charles E. Carroll, Principal of Westford Academy:

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

In this, my second report to the citizens of Westford, I would like to comment briefly on the progress of secondary education at Westford Academy.

ENROLLMENT

As of October 1, the Academy enrollment stood at 179 or an increase of ten over this time last year. With larger classes in our lower grades, we shall have to expect an even larger enrollment during the next few years.

We have attempted through personal persuasion and through the curriculum to encourage those students who are contemplating leaving school to stay longer. I urge parents to join us in this effort for it is apparent that democratic ideals are safer in the hands of an enlightened citizenry.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Post Graduate	0	1	1
Seniors	20	20	40
Juniors	18	16	34
Sophomores	29	19	48
Freshmen	21	35	56
	—	—	—
Totals	88	91	179

CURRICULUM

The operation of the curriculum has continued much the same as in past years, because of the physical limitations of the school plant. There has been, however, an effort to improve both course content and methods of presentation in a desire to keep pace with the changing needs of a dynamic society. The basic theme running through the entire program is the translation of the aims, purposes and values of the educational process to the growth and development of democracy. Thus no course may be considered as an end in itself, but must instead contribute to the greater enrichment and interpretation of democratic life. The public school cannot afford to operate in a social vacuum in these times of national stress.

Certain additions to the curriculum made since my last report merit some attention:

Classes in remedial reading are prescribed for those students who have indicated a reading deficiency through our testing program. It is hoped, in the years to come, that the application of remedial reading procedures to the lower grades will reduce appreciably the number of high school students who are retarded in this basic area.

It has been possible, through a series of exploratory trips to the Boston scientific museums, to supplement in some degree our instruction in science. Mr. Rennie has made plans to continue his monthly trips to Boston throughout the school year. It would be a mistake not to avail ourselves of these scientific and cultural institutions, located as they are, only a few miles distant.

The gift of a driver training car to the Academy last Spring enables us to provide behind-the-wheel training for students in our

Driver Education classes. When it is realized that over ninety percent of high school students operate motor vehicles on the public highways within a year after graduation, the social utility of this training becomes apparent.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Too often the less formal aspects of the curriculum are designated "extra-curricular" and as such are considered somewhat apart from the regular school program. The connotation is unfortunate because very often such activities constitute the dynamic socialized aspects of learning. With this in mind, we have developed a well-balanced activity program in the hope that participation therein will contribute to the enrichment of the student body and at the same time stimulate interest in school affairs.

Under our present schedule it is possible for us to provide a thirty-five minute club-activity period on Thursday and Friday mornings. Participation is entirely voluntary, but we encourage the students to join at least one club.

Our three major sports, football, basketball and baseball, all undertake ambitious schedules. We have made a special effort to schedule games with schools of comparable size and with those who have indicated an outstanding record of good sportsmanship. The emphasis is never on victory alone, but rather on the greater value of sportsmanship and character building.

Intramural sports, played at noon recess or after school, round out our athletic program and provide those students who do not make the Academy teams, with some competitive athletics.

Each class is permitted one social activity (usually a dance) under the guidance of their class advisor. In addition, the Student Council accepts the sponsorship of other events that are deemed advisable by its faculty advisor. All dances are adequately chaperoned and transportation to and from the dance is provided by our school buses.

Assemblies are held twice monthly and are planned so that they are both instructive and interesting. All national holidays are observed and appropriate patriotic and religious services are included in the program.

FACULTY ORGANIZATION

We believe that we have effected an improvement in the organization of our faculty this year. While it is true that we have lost valuable teaching experience with the resignations of Miss Finn and Miss Dohanian, their departure has made it possible to reassign

teaching duties so that the fullest utilization is made of the professional background of faculty members. This should lead to improved training in the subject areas.

CONCLUSION

We believe our greatest obligation to be the preservation and improvement of the democratic way of life. Progressive achievement of this ideal means the inculcation of those qualities essential to a society of free governing men and women. These qualities include an understanding and appreciation of democracy and democratic institutions; the development of characteristics that have democratic significance such as individual capability and intelligent acceptance of social responsibility, open-mindedness, understanding, and cooperation in the promotion of the common good; and the use of teaching methods through which the democratic goals may be attained.

In conclusion, we at the Academy hold before us this important concept: We teach students—not school subjects. We are much more interested in finding out a student's level of interest, his abilities and achievements, and then meeting him on that level. Instead of trying to fit a student into a specific slot or niche, we would rather fit a program to the student.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CARROLL.

PERSONNEL

Resignations	Appointments
HIGH SCHOOL	
Miss Mary Finn	Miss Theodora Lolos
Miss Eliz Dohanian	Miss Joanne Hall
CAMERON SCHOOL	
Mrs. Marjorie Nixon	Miss Mary Jo Burns
Mrs. Kathleen Harper	Miss Helen Mechalides
Miss Martha Yoshida	Miss Mary Moran
Miss Maureen Markham	Mr. William Mobilia
SARGENT SCHOOL	
Miss Martha Morris	Miss Claire Kelley
Mr. Raymond Dower, Jr.	Mr. Lynwood Stodden
FROST SCHOOL	
Mrs. Gertrude Madden	Miss Margaret Dadian
Mr. William B. Gove	Mr. August Crane
MUSIC SUPERVISOR	
Miss Barbara Bennett	Miss Eunice Buckley

From the above list one can readily see the great turn-over we are still having in our teaching staff. Eight of the teachers who resigned went to better positions with much higher salaries. Apparently other systems continue to regard Westford as an excellent training ground. We have improved our salary schedule in order to make teaching more attractive and to make an attempt to hold our teachers. However, the rising cost of living combined with even larger increases in state and federal taxes still leaves the teaching profession lagging behind.

For several years there has been a demand from our Principals, teachers and parents for a Remedial Reading teacher who could work with our slow readers. This year we were fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Carol Verven for this position.

Mrs. Constance Malloy was elected to the position of secretary to the superintendent to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Alice Whitcomb.

We are sorry to lose the men and women who left our school system but wish them all happiness and success in their new endeavors. We also wish to welcome all of our new personnel who are doing such fine work in their new positions.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Our text books remain in good condition because of our long range planning of renewing and bringing up to date one set of books each year. This year we completed our series of history books in grades three through six. We are planning to buy health books this coming year, as many of our grades are without these books at the present time.

BUILDINGS

As was planned in our budget for 1951, the Frost School interior was painted as well as the trim at the Nabnassett School. This year the basements at Nabnassett will be completed. We are also planning to paint the dark varnished wood work in the four upper rooms at Sargent School and the front hall at Cameron School. Along with this planned program there are always many smaller emergency repairs which need to be done. These are always taken care of as they arise.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR TEACHERS

During the past year our teachers and Principals spent a great deal of time studying history books. As a result of this study, books were purchased for grades three to six, thus completing our series in Social Studies. We are now accumulating sets of Health books from the various companies. From this study we hope to choose a set for our health work.

At the beginning of the year a letter was received from the State Department of Education recommending that the teachers take the First Aid Course given by the Red Cross, so that they would be better prepared to render first aid in the event of an emergency. This course was made available to our teachers and twenty-two of them, representing every school in town, took this course.

DRIVER EDUCATION

The Driver Education course continues to be popular. We were fortunate in getting a car from the Ford Motor Sales, Inc., in Lowell and although it did not arrive until the last of April, we were able to present eight students for road tests before school closed in June. In September a number of students began their instruction behind the wheel and in the Spring this will be continued in preparation for their road tests before school closes in June.

SCHOLARSHIP

The Westford Teachers Association through their Scholarship Fund presented one hundred dollars to a senior girl of the class of 1951, who is presently at Boston University studying for the teaching profession.

We hope that there will be other organizations who will start Scholarship Funds in order to help and encourage our boys and girls in their college work.

GIFTS

The Abbot Worsted Company and the C. G. Sargent Sons Corporation, as has been their custom for many, many years, made Christmas a merry time for the school children with their generous gifts.

The Trustees of Westford Academy award several prizes at the high school graduation program. We are also grateful to them for their interest in the school curriculum, as evidenced by the financing of the testing program again this year.

The Forge Village P. T. A. continues its policy of equipping a Domestic Science room at Cameron School, while the Westford P. T. A. provides playground equipment at the Frost School.

Mr. Harold Wright again this year has provided transportation to some of our football games, and we sincerely appreciate his loyalty.

The Nabnasset P. T. A. and Boosters Club have been active and provides for Christmas parties, library books and records.

All this shows that we have organizations alive and progressive, actively interested in our schools.

I would like to thank the School Committee for their wholehearted cooperation and support. And I would also like to express my appreciation to the school faculty and to the secretary, for their help and for the spirit of friendliness which exists in our school system.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER F. PERRY, Superintendent.

WESTFORD ACADEMY — PROGRAM OF STUDIES — 1951-1952

	Core for all Students	Electives for Course		
		Academic	Commercial	General
Freshmen	English I Civics	Algebra I * French I Gen. Science	Jr. Bus. Tr. * Gen. Science French I Prac. Math.	Prac. Math. * Jr. Bus. Tr. Gen. Science French I
Sophomores	English II World History	Plane Geom. Biology French I or II	Typewriting I Bookkeeping I Biology French I or II	Biology Jr. Bus. Tr. Gen. Science French I or II Typewriting I
Juniors	English III U. S. History	Algebra II French I or II Chemistry	Bkbp. I or II. Stenography I Typewriting II Psy. and Eco. Geo. French I or II	Business Law Psy. & Eco. French I or II Applied Chem. Typing II
Seniors	English IV Problems of Democracy	Chemistry French II Trig. & Solid Geom. Econ. & Con. Ed.	Stenography II Bookkeeping II French II Econ. & Con. Ed. Business Law	Econ. & Con. E French II Applied Chem.

* Required in this course.

1. All subjects listed above provide one unit of credit with the exception of Typewriting which counts one-half unit.
2. All pupils must take Music, Health and Physical Education.
3. A student enrollment of at least 10 may be required for a class section in any subject.
4. Students must have a C or better average in Algebra I if they plan to take Plane Geometry. Students must have a C or better average in French I if they plan to take French II.

EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—YEAR 1951

SCHOOLS

Teachers' Salaries

Academy	\$ 25,544.46	
Elementary	67,408.72	\$ 92,953.18

Textbooks

Academy	503.14	
Elementary	2,282.59	2,785.73

Supplies

Academy	729.96	
Elementary	2,615.47	3,345.43

Other Expense of Instruction

Academy	473.55	
Elementary	640.90	1,114.45

Janitors' Salaries

Academy	2,729.94	
Elementary	7,759.56	10,489.50

Fuel

Academy	1,096.81	
Elementary	3,105.70	4,202.51

Miscellaneous Operation

Academy		
Water	150.26	
Lights	400.72	
Janitors' Supplies	306.07	
Telephone	42.36	
Elementary		
Water	114.75	
Lights	617.75	
Janitors' Supplies	997.79	
Telephone	147.97	2,777.67

Repairs

Academy	553.37	
Elementary	1,874.85	2,428.22

Furniture and Fixtures		
Academy	464.99	
Elementary	247.10	712.09
Health		
Academy	250.00	
Elementary	269.98	519.98
Transportation		
Academy	6,629.70	
Elementary	6,518.70	13,148.40
Tuition		
Academy	217.80	
Elementary	316.80	534.60
Other Expense		
Academy	166.13	
Elementary	112.18	278.31
General Control		
Superintendent's Salary	4,500.00	
Superintendent's expenses	256.20	
Clerk's salary	1,283.31	
School census	100.00	
Office expenses and telephone	338.48	6,477.99
Outlay		
Academy		
Elementary	418.68	418.68
Total		<u>\$142,186.74</u>
Receipts:		
Reimbursement for State Wards	\$ 1,581.12	
Reimbursement for Out-of-Town Tuition	446.04	
Reimbursement for Transportation	9,387.45	
Reimbursement School Aid and State Income	33,007.71	
Total	44,422.32	44,422.32
Net Cost to the Town		<u>\$ 97,764.42</u>

CORPS OF TEACHERS 1951-1952

School	Teachers	Subject or Grade	Date of Appointment
Westford Academy	Charles E. Carroll, Jr., A.B., M.A., M.Ed., Principal (<i>Tufts College</i>)	Social Studies, English	Nov. 1950
	Eileen K. Fletcher, A.B. (Girl's Coach) (<i>Tufts College</i>)	Social Studies	Sept. 1948
	Marea R. Gower, A.B. (<i>Boston University</i>)	English, French	Sept. 1948
	Joanne S. Hall, A.B. (<i>University of New Hampshire</i>)	English	Sept. 1951
	Warren N. Lapworth, A.B. (Coach) (<i>Columbia University</i>)	English, Psychology, Economic Geography, Prac. Math., Bus. Law	Sept. 1950
	Theodora Lolos, B.S.E. (<i>Salem Teachers College</i>)	Commercial	Sept. 1951
	John A. Rennie, A.B., M.A. (<i>Wesleyan University, Boston University</i>)	Biology, Chemistry	Sept. 1946
	Kenneth H. Robes, B.S. (<i>Dartmouth College</i>)	Mathematics, General Science	Jan. 1947

Cameron School

Harold Hershfield, B.S., B.S.E., M.Ed.,

Principal

(*Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, Harvard*)

8 Jan. 1948

Alice M. Murphy

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

1

Sept. 1949

Alyce C. Gilligan, A.B.

(*Emmanuel College*)

2

Sept. 1949

Mary J. Burns, B.S.E.

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

3

Sept. 1951

Helen Mechalides, B.S.E.

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

4

Sept. 1951

Eleanor M. Duggan, B.S.E.

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

5

Sept. 1950

Mary Moran, A.B.

(*D'Youville College*)

6

Sept. 1951

William W. Mobilia, A.B.

(*Bates College*)

7

Sept. 1951

Wm. E. Frost School

August Crane, B.S., M.A., Principal

8 Sept. 1951

Florence B. Morris

(*Lowell Normal School*)

1

Sept. 1948

Shirley C. Oliver, B.S.E.

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

2

Sept. 1940

Ruth P. Tuttle

(*Lowell Normal School*)

3

Sept. 1903

Rita H. Miller, B.S.E.

(*Lowell Teachers College*)

4

Sept. 1939

Margaret Dadian, B.S.

(*Bridgewater Teachers College*)

5, 7

Sept. 1951

Sargent School	Lynwood T. Stodden, A.B., M.Ed., Principal (Union & North Adams State Teachers College)	8	Sept. 1951
	Margery S. Flint	1	Jan. 1948
	Jean E. Bell	2	April 1930
	Claire T. Kelley, A.B.	3	Sept. 1951
	Lottie D. Blodgett	4	Sept. 1916
	Helen A. Gibbons	5	Sept. 1948
	Gertrude D. Houghton, A.B.	6	Sept. 1947
	Lillian G. Wright	7	Sept. 1914
Nabnasset School	Ruth L. Wright, Principal Mary D. Murphy	1, 2 3, 4	Sept. 1946 Sept. 1948
Remedial Reading	Carol P. Verven, A.B., M.A.		Sept. 1951
Supervisor of Music and Art	Eunice M. Buckley, B.S.E.		Sept. 1951
School Nurse	Dorothy A. Healy, R.N.		Sept. 1941
Superintendent	Peter F. Perry, B.S.E., M.Ed.		Sept. 1948

ENROLLMENT—WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 1, 1951

Grades	Academy	Cameron	Frost	Nabnasset	Sargent	Totals
1		22	24	11	29	86
2		20	28	11	28	87
3		18	22	16	25	81
4		26	27	11	29	93
5		19	24		27	70
6		33			29	62
7		29	10		27	66
8		30	22		33	85
9	56					56
10	48					48
11	34					34
12	41					41
PG	1					1
Totals	180	197	157	49	227	810
		Elementary		630		
		Academy		180		
				810		

REGISTRATION OF MINORS

Minors by Age Groups	5-7	7-16	Totals
Boys	70	338	408
Girls	78	355	433
Totals	148	693	841

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES

CAMERON SCHOOL

Arthur Leo Bellemore	Annie Bobryk
Paul Bohenko	Gabrielle Madeline Brule
Raymond Omer Boisvert	Marjorie Ann Cantin
Gordon Jerome Brittain	Marie Irene Guertin
Raymond Thomas Connavino	Aline Jeanne Lamy
Alfred Donat Courchaine	Ursula Evelyn LeFebre
Ross Joseph Elliott	Aline Marguerite Melancon
William Paul Fellows	Irene Alice Mulligan
Robert Joseph Finnila	Winifred Anne Moss crop
Terrence John Kane	Margaret Mary O'Neill
Richard Kwedor	Vivian Mary Ricard
Raymond Leo Moore	Beverly Joan Rooks
David Earle Newton	Rollande Yvette Roux
Robert Valcourt	Regina Ann Socha
Frank James Winans	Frances Margaret Walsh

WM. E. FROST SCHOOL

Rose Antonelli
Joyce Winnifred Charlton
Juanita Jacqueline Charlton
Patricia Anne Donlan
Ben Warren Drew, Jr.
Carol Ann Hall
Theresa Grace Hamelin
Daniel Sheridan Hanley
Janice Jenkins

Beverly Gladys Johnston
Robert John Koning
Barbara Jane McClellan
Gerald Allan Sullivan
Michael Joseph Sullivan, Jr.
Lyle Eugene Whipple
Edwin Harry Whitney
Barbara Osgood
Mona Claire St. Onge
Geraldine Patricia Obeniski

SARGENT SCHOOL

Charles Thomas Brosnan
Richard Francis Carpentier
John Thomas Conrad, Jr.
Elizabeth Ann Denisevich
Beverly Ann Dumont
Jeanette Dureault
William Warren Gilson, Jr.
Barbara Jean Hall
Judith Ann Hanson
William Stephen Holmes
Susan Jane Harrington
Gerald Paul Johnson

Susan Ann Ladas
Jean Louis Levasseur
Maude Houston MacQuarrie
Audrey Milot
Ann Moulton
Robert Edward Nylund
Carole Ann Popolizio
Shirley Fay Pulsifer
Janice Nancy Richards
Sigvard Norman Sivertsen
Lola Ann Tousignant
Milton Leroy Van Norden
Michael Stephen Wojcik

WESTFORD ACADEMY GRADUATES

Marjorie Irene Aldrich
Frederick Arlington Burne
Clarence Richard Connell
Gloria Ann Connell
Lorraine Kathryn Connell
Alice Ann Connolly
Donald Henry Currier
Marion Theresa Doucette
George Spencer Fletcher
Arthur Whitley Gatenby
Marilyn Ann Haley
Helen Hildreth
Nancy Lee Holmes
Harry Carl Johnson
Barbara Jean Kimball

Leah Nora Knowlton
Constance Mary Lahme
Julia Mae MacQuarrie
John Carl Paduano
Rose Ann Paduano
Pauline Marion Prescott
Evelyn Irene Rancour
Eleanor R. Reynolds
Dolores Mary Ricard
Marion Louise Roberts
Mary Sedach
Carleton E. Stuart
George Thomas Sullivan
Esther Florence Van Norden
Rita Mary Venn
Anthony W. Young

PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL—Pomp and Circumstance
Marea Roberta Gower, Pianist
Elgar

INVOCATION
Rev. Cletus E. Hirschy

SALUTATORY ADDRESS—Truth in Science
Arthur W. Gatenby

ESSAY—Truth Through Education
Marion L. Roberts

SONG—"Without a Song"
Youmans

ESSAY—Peace Through Economic Stability
Dolores M. Ricard

ESSAY—Truth in Social Relationships
Marilyn A. Haley

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT
Frederick A. Burne
President of the Class of 1951

ACCEPTANCE OF CLASS GIFT
Peter B. Corkum
President of the Class of 1952

SONG—"The Lord's Prayer"
Malotte

ESSAY—Faith, A Road To Truth
Julia M. MacQuarrie

VALEDICTORY—Truth Begins at Home
Gloria A. Connell

REMARKS
Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

Mr. Gordon Seavey
Trustee of Westford Academy
Charles E. Carroll
Principal of Westford Academy

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

Frederick W. Gatenby
Chairman of School Board

CLASS SONG—"Dear Westford"

Leah N. Knowlton

BENEDICTION

Rev. Cletus E. Hirschy

RECESSIONAL—Pomp and Circumstance

Elgar

Marea Roberta Gower, Pianist

CLASS MOTTO

"Truth Gives Wings To Strength"

CLASS COLORS

Maroon and Gold

CLASS MARSHAL

Carleton E. Stuart

CLASS FLOWER

American Beauty Rose

WINNERS OF PRIZES

(Given by Trustees of Westford Academy)

For excellence in English Leah N. Knowlton
For excellence in Mathematics and Science Arthur W. Gatenby
For excellence in Secretarial Science Gloria A. Connell

THE MOST WORTHY REPRESENTATIVES OF WESTFORD ACADEMY

Class of 1951—Rita M. Venn
Class of 1952—M. Gail Spinner
Class of 1953—Edward Bohenko
Class of 1954—Priscilla Cowles

OTHER AWARDS

Bausch and Lomb Science Award Frederick A. Burne
Balfour Award Dolores Ricard
Reader's Digest Award Gloria A. Connell
D. A. R. Good Citizenship Award Rita M. Venn
Washington and Franklin Award Margaret M. Kavanagh
Westford Teachers' Association Scholarship Leah Knowlton

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

I am submitting my report as School Physician for the year ending 1951 as follows:

A slower and more thorough check-up was begun in September on all children attending the Westford Schools and this check-up will continue through the fiscal year, examining every other grade beginning with the first grade. Each case which seems advisable to recheck will be given separate physical examination for major defects and parents will be notified in such cases as to what procedure to follow in order to ensure their children proper medical or surgical care.

As has been done in the last several years, I have administered special examinations on the high school and elementary students who participate in athletics. This is done in accordance with Liability Insurance and to make certain that these children are in proper physical condition to enter sports. I also attended the football games in my capacity as School Physician during the season of 1951, which was recommended by the School Board.

A large number of emergency cases were referred to me by the Principals of the various schools and these were treated at the Abbot Worsted Company Hospital. The cases were for minor medical or surgical conditions.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the continued fine cooperation of the Board of Health Nurse, teachers, and parents.

Respectfully,

DWIGHT W. COWLES, M.D.

REPORT ON REMEDIAL READING PROGRAM

Mr. Peter Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

In September, approximately 130 children, grades 2 through 12, were referred for specialized reading instruction by the teachers of the five Westford schools. A testing program was designed to determine not only the reading achievement level of these children, but also their ability to read in terms of general intellectual capacity. Those children found to be two or more years retarded in their reading achievement were included in the remedial program. The subjects from each school were grouped in accordance with the following criteria: age, grade in school, reading achievement level, ability level, emotional stability, and probable cause of reading disability. Eight groups were set up at Cameron, Sargent, and Frost schools, four groups at Nabnassett school, and two at the Academy. The average number of children in each group was five. One and one-half days per week were devoted to both the Cameron and the Sargent schools, one full day to the Frost school, and one-half day to both Nabnassett and the Academy. Children came for reading instruction once a week in groups of four or five for an average period of fifty minutes.

New reading materials were ordered. Since all of the children involved were at least two years retarded in reading achievement, it was necessary to find books with a low vocabulary level and a high interest level. Phonetic materials were obtained, and a portion of each reading lesson was devoted to phonetic analysis and skills. In addition, each child was given a work book to complete during his leisure time either in school or at home.

Both silent and oral reading were included in the program for all groups with added emphasis on silent reading and reading for speed in grades four and up. In the high school, attention was focused on reading comprehension and reading speed with a review of elementary reading and phonetic skills. To stimulate interest in the program and to encourage learning, extensive use was made of various reading games such as wordo, consonant lotto, vowel lotto, and word solitaire. The tachistoscope was an important remedial instrument because of its stress on phrase reading and quick word recognition. It was used with success to overcome the word-by-word reading habit of many of the pupils. Short quizzes based on the simplified remedial work were given periodically in order to make the children aware of their

progress, thereby increasing their motivation for further achievement in reading.

Following the Christmas vacation, there will be some changes in the reading schedule to enable the specialist to work on an individual basis with some of the more serious cases.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROL P. VERVEN
Reading Specialist

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Peter Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

Following is the report of the school nurse from January 1 to December 31, 1951:

Nurse-Teacher Conferences	888
Nurse-Pupil Conferences	317
Children recommended for exclusion because of contagious disease, skin infection or pediculosis	9
Tested vision of all school children with Massachusetts Vision Equipment. Number of children referred to physician	67
Tested hearing of all school children with a pure tone audiometer. Number of children referred to physician	25
Assisted school physician with physical examination of all school children.	

This year, in two grades at the Nabnassett School, we are using new health record cards as part of a pilot study being conducted by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

May I extend my appreciation to you, your teaching staff and the school physician for the cooperation and assistance I have received at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. HEALY, R.N.

REPORT OF PENMANSHIP SUPERVISOR

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Perry:

I am pleased to submit the following report on the operation of the handwriting program in your schools for the school year of 1950-1951. .

In the initial handwriting tests administered to your pupils in September, 1940, 20% received a grade of "A" (Excellent); 8% received a grade of "B" (Good); and 72% were scored less than "B". In the tests administered in June, 1951, 87% received a grade of "A"; 11% received a grade of "B"; and 2% scored less than "B". Handwriting certificates were awarded to 92% of your graduates.

During the school year we graded approximately 5800 formal and 17,400 informal handwriting samples for your pupils. A formal test was administered monthly and a report was furnished each teacher giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in her room.

We furnished the following instructional materials: monthly teachers' outlines, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, handedness tests, individual handwriting certificates for pupils who qualified, monthly and term envelopes, seals, etc.

My supervisors join with me in expressing our appreciation for the splendid cooperation we have received from you and your teachers at all times. We are very pleased with the results obtained in your schools.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. RINEHART
Director

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC AND ART

Mr. Peter F. Perry
Superintendent of Schools
Westford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

The efforts of our present day education can only hope to find fruition in the days to come. While we cannot know the specific problems of those days, our present problem is to prepare for life, as life seems to be tending. We know that with the more or less recent labor turnover people are finding themselves with a great deal of leisure time and a necessity for a good use of it. How this time will be spent depends upon the tastes of the people. What the tastes of the people shall be depends upon the habits formed in their impressionable days—their school days.

Prominent among the influences which education is fostering in our young people is music. Through active participation and a spirit of cooperation throughout, the young boys and girls of today are preparing themselves for future life in a democracy.

Our foremost concern in music is to give every child an opportunity to develop into a being who loves music and enjoys participation in its expression.

To accomplish this our primary grades (1, 2, and 3) employ the following objectives:

1. The opportunity is given to each child for self-expression through singing.
2. The desire and ability to respond to different types of rhythm through dancing, marching, rhythm band, etc.
3. The desire for self-expression in the creative experiences, making-up songs to sing, etc.
4. An appreciation of good music through listening.
5. In the second and third grades with the use of books, the ability to follow directions and to maintain a cooperative spirit.

Among the objectives of the intermediate grades (4, 5, and 6) are:

1. To provide for every pupil a musical experience that is constantly expanding.
2. To continue the development of the voice through singing beautiful songs.
3. To develop power in using the printed language of music, leading to an increased pleasure in singing and more discerning appreciation of all kinds of music.
4. To give continued experience in creating original melodies.
5. To provide opportunities to listen to the best music.

6. To introduce part singing in grade four increasing in difficulty throughout the fifth year so that in the sixth there is an ability to carry parts independently.
7. To promote and increase an appreciation of national life through folk and patriotic songs.

The aims to be realized in the junior high school are these:

1. To help make transition from the grade school organization to that of the high school. The singing of songs learned in the grades is one familiar activity that carries over into the junior high school; joining in chorus singing with other children helps establish self-confidence through a feeling of comradeship.
2. Music serves as a binding or socializing force by capitalizing the "gang" spirit which is characteristic of adolescence.
3. The varied offerings of the music program serve as exploratory material and reveal to the student some of the possibilities of music in the high school and the years beyond.
4. The music offerings should aid the students in the selection of those musical activities which are most suitable.
5. Music is a valuable aid in interrelating various subjects of study and thus connecting them with life activities.

Music in the high school accomplishes the dual purpose of further extending the individual's ability and creating occasions in which the student is able to demonstrate his or her ability.

This year there is a new course in music open to juniors and seniors on an elective basis. The hoped for results of this course in combinations with the other music courses in high school are to accomplish adequate training for those who wish to make music a profession, as well as those who choose to become stenographers, mechanics or other business or professional workers.

In our art education program we strive to encourage the growth of the child's creative endowments in art. This is developed on the basis of the premise that in the early years of a child's life his natural endowments for creative expression (thinking, feeling, speaking, and movement) appear to develop with a minimum of assistance other than encouragement and the opportunity to perform. Thus through the different art media, drawing, painting, design, and construction the child's ability is realized and developed. The evidences of upper grade art serve as proof of this development.

I would like to thank the teachers for the cooperation they have given me in all respects.

Respectfully submitted,

EUNICE M. BUCKLEY

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1951 - 1952

Teachers' Meeting	September 4	
Fall Term	September 5-December 21	73 days
Winter Term	January 2-February 20	36 days
Spring Term	February 25-April 8	32 days
Summer Term	April 14-June 13	44 days
Total—185 days		

Days omitted:

Columbus Day	October 12
Teachers' Convention	November 2
Armistice Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Recess	November 22, 23
Washington's Birthday	February 22
Good Friday	April 11
Memorial Day	May 30

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

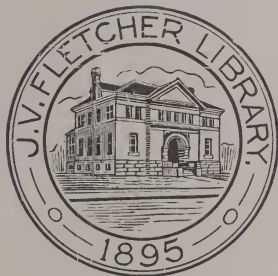
The No-School Signal will be two blows of the fire alarm whistle repeated three times.

The above signal will be given at 7:10 A.M. unless icing conditions begin about that time, in which case the No-School Signal may be blown as late as 7:45 A.M.

The No-School announcement will be broadcast over stations WBZ, WLLH, and WLAW whenever possible.

It is the policy of the School Department to keep schools in sessions on all days during which it is safe for buses to be operated. The widely varying conditions in the several parts of Westford make it difficult to reach decisions equally fair to all. ON DAYS WHEN THE WEATHER CONDITION IS QUESTIONABLE, PARENTS ARE URGED TO EXERCISE THEIR OWN JUDGMENT AS TO THE WISDOM OF SENDING THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL.

Annual Report
OF THE
J. V. Fletcher Library
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTFORD



For the Year Ending December 31,
1951

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE J. V. FLETCHER LIBRARY

January 1, 1952

The trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library respectfully submit their annual report for 1951, including the report of the librarian and the list of books added in 1951.

At the dedication of the new addition to the Newton Library last December, Dr. James R. Killian, Jr., President of M. I. T. titled his address Newton's best school and outlined many of the problems confronting the community library in the modern world. He noted the radical changes which have come about since the organization of the Newton Library eighty years ago. Especially he cited the "torrential flood of printed material that today threatens to overcome the libraries" and make book selection so difficult. "The community library" he said, "can help citizens to develop a sense of standards in art and literature; can provide recreational reading; it can provide materials of value to people in their daily work and can encourage people better to understand themselves."

Westford has an unusually well selected library and the officials wish the books to be used as much as possible and that its service may reach every home in our community. It is a friendly place for there is a conversation room in the library where friends may meet each other and where lonely people may make friends. In some ways a library in a small town can provide an atmosphere which a big city library cannot.

The work of renovation in the building itself is to be continued again this year. By spring the upper floors will be redecorated and some work done in the basement. Three storm windows have helped to make the stack room more comfortable and Mr. McAviney has a new Old English electric wax polisher with twin brushes to use on the floors. Sometime in the future we hope to install new lighting.

To carry on these repairs and the necessary work of the library and its branches the trustees ask for the following appropriation, viz.:

1. The sum of thirty-seven hundred (\$3,700.00) dollars.
2. The receipts from the dog licenses in 1951.

WILLIAM C. ROUDENBUSH, Chairman
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR
ALICE M. HOWARD, Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY FOR 1951

Salaries and Wages:

Librarian	\$1,100.00
Custodian	550.00
Assistants	487.23

\$2,137.23

Books and Periodicals:

Books	\$ 661.73
Periodicals	190.20
Binding	16.15

\$ 868.08

Fuel 632.88

Electricity 113.67

Building:

Water	\$ 20.00
Janitor's supplies	7.29
Repairs	41.50
Book cases and storm windows	337.26
Wax polisher	64.95

\$ 471.00

Other expenses:

Telephone	\$ 50.73
Transportation of books	30.00
Stationery and postage	2.62
Miscellaneous	36.73

\$ 120.08

\$4,342.94

INCOME

Town appropriation	\$3,600.00
Receipts from dog licenses	762.69
Interest from funds .....	.32

\$4,363.01

Receipts from fines \$ 76.30

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

January 1, 1952

To the Trustees of the J. V. Fletcher Library:

For the thirty-fourth time the librarian submits her annual report of the work of the library for the past year.

The total circulation has again increased slightly, wholly in the adult department. Books have been taken to the schools as usual but as they also purchase many books of their own not as many are used as formerly, so the record of the children's department decreased but as long as the children do read books that is the important point. The same four groups of adult non-fiction are the most popular but in a different order. This year 497 biography were borrowed; 384 of the books listed under Useful Arts (cooking, carpentry, animal husbandry); 378 books of travel and 370 of Fine Arts (painting, stenciling, music, games) and the fifth group was Literature with 288.

This fall the librarian began to carry out a long desired plan to give talks on the use of books and the library in the schools. She visited each of the eight English classes in the Academy and three rooms in the Frost school, grades three to eight. It is hoped to continue the talks the coming year in the other schools and add to those already done by having the classes visit the library. These talks are designed to enable the pupils to understand what the library can do for them, to make better use of the library and to be able to find some books for themselves, especially when the librarian is busy. More pupils have visited the library since then and time has been allowed the Academy pupils who go in buses to come there during school hours. The librarian has gone to the library a few times at 10 a. m. to accommodate pupils who could not come in the afternoon. The Frost school children come during their noon hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays as usual.

New shelves were added to the front of the stack room in January. On those opposite the fiction side mystery and detective stories take up two sections, while the westerns are on another section. This has been very much appreciated by the readers of these books.

For those people who cannot easily come to the library but would like to borrow books the librarian wishes to call their attention to the postal rate for library books which is four cents for the first pound and one cent for each additional pound. By payment of the postage the librarian will be glad to send books to any one.

Among the exhibits in the Frost museum case have been St. Patrick exhibit loaned by Mrs. W. R. Taylor with the addition of an Evacuation Day medal, merit cards and booklets of the 1860s with names of local people on them given by Mrs. Lydia Lee, cards of pressed sea weed in attractive designs mounted by Miss Grace Lawrence, formerly of Forge Village, which were given by Miss Alice M. Howard, illustrations by various artists and a Christmas exhibit.

In carrying on the work during the past year, the librarian has been aided by four assistants—Miss Mary P. Bunce, former librarian (1900-1918), Miss Hazel B. Hartford, who began work in February 1950 and since last October Mary M. Smith, senior at Westford Academy. Mrs. William K. Budge, who has given such faithful service as a part time helper for several years moved from town last fall. Not only her services will be missed but also the flowers with which she so generously supplied the library.

Library Hall was used by the Tadmuck Club study group on January 16 and February 20 for discussions on the Hoover Commission given by William C. Roudenbush and Morris A. Hall. The Junior Sportsmen Group met here on February 16 with a good attendance. The D. A. R. held their February meeting as usual at the library. The trustees of Westford Academy also used the Hall on December 8.

Lights in the front windows and a tree provided by Mr. McAviney helped to make the library more festive during the holiday season. Books of Christmas stories, poems and customs were arranged on the table in the children's room and on the counter for adults where they were found useful.

The librarian attended the meetings of the Merrimac Valley Library Association at Topsfield on May 22 and at Methuen on October 26. Miss Howard and Wm. R. Taylor, trustees, also attended. In July the librarian went to the meeting of the American Library Association in Chicago.

The circulation of magazines increased over that of last year. All except current numbers may be borrowed for one week. A few changes have been made and the list for the coming year is as follows:

WEEKLIES

Geographic News Bulletin	Publishers' Weekly
Illustrated London News	Saturday Evening Post
Life	Science News Weekly
New York Times Book Review	Time
News Week	

MONTHLIES

A. L. A. Booklist	Jack and Jill
American	Journal of Living
American Girl	Junior Natural History
American Home	Ladies' Home Journal
American Photography	National Geographic
Antiques	Natural History
Arizona Highways	Nature
Atlantic Monthly	New Hampshire Profiles
Better Homes and Gardens	Open Road
Book Review Digest	Outdoor Life
Boys' Life	Parents' Magazine
Coronet	Popular Gardening
Cosmopolitan	Popular Mechanics
Country Gentleman	Popular Science Monthly
Etude	Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature
Family Circle	Reader's Digest
Flying and Popular Aviation	School Arts
Fortune	Sport
Good Housekeeping	Today's Health
Grade Teacher	Uncle Ray's Magazine
Guide Posts	United Nations World
Harper's Monthly	Wilson Bulletin
Hobbies	Woman's Day
Holiday	Woman's Home Companion
House Beautiful	Yankee
Instructor	

BI-MONTHLY

Delta-gram	Horn Book	Popular Homecraft
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SEMI-MONTHLY

Library Journal

QUARTERLIES

American Heritage	Old Time New England
Subscription Books Bulletin	

PERIODICALS GIVEN, 1951

Advance	From Woman's Guild
Automobile Facts	From Automobile Manufacturers Association
Bell Telephone Quarterly	From American Tel. & Tel. Co.
Book-of-the-Month Club News	From Book of the Month Club
Books, N. Y. Herald Tribune	From The Old Corner Book Store
Christian Register	From Woman's Guild
Christian Science Monitor	From Miss Mary E. Burbeck
Collier's (6 mon.)	From Mrs. Wm. K. Budge
Coming Events in Britain	From British Travel Association
D. A. R. Magazine	From John Robinson Chapter
DuPont Magazine	From DuPont de Nemours Co.
Federation Topics	From The Tadmuck Club
Food Marketing	From First National Stores
Freeman	From Publishers
Harvester World	From International Harvester Organization
Journal of Calendar Reform	From World Calendar Association
Life of the Soldier & Airman	From War Department
McCall's	From Mrs. Morris A. Hall
Mass. Educational News	From Mass. Dept. of Education
Middlesex County Bulletin	From Middlesex County Extension Service
National Grange Monthly	From Westford Grange
New England News Letter	From New England Council
New Yorker	From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey
Our Dumb Animals	From the Publishers
Pemex Travel Club Bulletin	From Petroloes Mexicanos
Steel Facts	From American Iron & Steel Institute
Steelways	From Am. Iron & Steel Institute
Tax Talk	From Mass. Federation of Tax-payers' Association
This Week	From Mrs. Marden H. Seavey

NAMES OF DONORS, 1951

Boston & Maine Railroad—one volume.
 Budge, Mrs. Wm. K.—15 volumes.
 Currier, Miss Edna F.—17 volumes.
 Elliott, Herford N.—nails from old Unitarian Church.
 Fenton, John—one volume.
 Fisher, John—10 volumes.
 Graves, Mrs. H. A.—10 volumes
 Hall, M. A.—2 volumes
 Harris, Carol—3 volumes

Hildreth, Mrs. Henry W.—5 volumes
 Lee, Mrs. Lydia S.—miniature booklets and rewards of merit.
 Macmillan Company—one volume
 Millet, Mrs. Nathan—photograph of old Westford house.
 Nabb, Rev. Herbert G.—3 volumes.
 Prowten, Wm. C.—5 volumes.
 Roudenbush, Wm. C.—one volume.
 Think Magazine—one volume.
 Webster, Diane—8 volumes, 2 jig-saw puzzles
 Winnek, Miss Marian F.—4 volumes.

CIRCULATION

Total circulation of bound volumes	14,285
Volumes lent at Library	12,667
Volumes lent at Graniteville	870
Volumes lent at Forge Village	551
Volumes lent at Nabnasset	197
Circulation in children's department	5,725
Volumes lent thru schools	1,122
Volumes of foreign books loaned	51
Periodicals loaned	3,356
Pamphlets and clippings loaned	139
Pictures loaned	565
Jig-saw puzzles loaned	147
Adult non-fiction books loaned	2,725
Largest monthly circulation of bound volumes, November	1,285
Smallest monthly circulation, June	861
Largest daily circulation, November 20	157
Smallest daily circulation, August 2	28

ACCESSION

Volumes added by purchase	318
Volumes added by gift	36
Total number added	354
Number of books discarded	75
Number of volumes in Library	20,661

AMOUNT OF FUNDS

Legacy of Stephen S. Stone	\$1,000.00
Legacy of Augustus K. Fletcher	1,000.00
Legacy of Mary M. Henarie, Laws Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of John M. Osgood	1,000.00
Legacy of Jennie Reed Wilkins	150.00
Legacy of Adeline T. Burbeck	500.00
Legacy of Albert E. Prescott	7,056.08
Legacy of William J. Burbeck	1,000.00
Legacy of Frederick A. Burbeck	1,000.00

REGULATIONS

The J. V. Fletcher Library is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays (legal holidays excepted) from 1:30 till 5, and from 6:30 till 9:00 P. M.

The Nabnasset deposit station at the Post Office in charge of Mrs. Edna G. MacLeod is open daily.

The Forge Village deposit station at the Merry Wood Gift Shop in charge of Mrs. Francis C. Wood is open daily.

New books of fiction can be kept only one week; but there may be one renewal. All other books may be kept four weeks. Renewals may be made by telephone or by postal. Telephone number Westford 263.

No book shall be transferred, or acknowledged as returned, unless delivered to the librarian.

For each day that a book is kept beyond the prescribed time a fine of one cent is charged.

Borrowers finding books mutilated or defaced should report the fact to the librarian.

LIST OF BOOKS ADDED, 1951

CLASSIFIED BOOKS

Altpeter, Dorothy and others—How to make braided rugs	746.7A
Audubon, John J.—Audubon's animals	599 A1
Bailey, Liberty H.—The garden of gourds	635.93346 B
Baird, Janet H., ed.—These harvest years	612.67 BB
Barnard, Seymour—Child's garden of relatives	136.7 B1
Bender, Jas. F. and Graham, Lee—Your way to popularity and personal power	170 B8
Bevan-Brown, M.—Sources of love and fear	136.7 B2
Birdseye, Clarence F. and E. G.—Growing woodland plants	635.96 B
Boswell, James—London journal, 1762-1763	B B747
Bushakra, Mary W.—I married an Arab	915.69 B1
Butler, Jessie H.—Time to speak up	808.5 B3
Carson, Rachel L.—The sea around us	551.46 C
Chamberlain, Samuel—Old Sturbridge village	917.440 St
Chase, Mary E.—Abby Aldrich Rockefeller	B R682
Child and the bishop, memorabilia of Rt. Rev. Phillips Brooks	B B874.2
Chippendale, Harry A.—Sails and whales	639.2 C1
Chrysler, Walter P.—Life of an American workman	B C558
Cleveland, R. M. and Williamson, S. T.—The road is yours	629.209 C
Commager, Henry S.—Living ideas in America	973.08 C
Conant, James B.—Science and commonsense	507.2 C

Cook, Beatrice G.—More fish to fry	799.12	C1
Costain, Thomas B.—The magnificent century (1216-72)	942.03	C
Crocker, Betty, pseud.—Picture cook book	641.5	C
Crosby, Katharine—Blue-water men and other Cape Codders	974.49	C
Dailey, E. J.—Traplines and trails	639.1	D
Davidson, Marshall B.—Life in America, 2 vol.	973	D
Dodd, Charles H.—About the gospels	226	D
Douglas, Lloyd C.—Time to remember	B D735	
Doust, Len A.—Manual on oil painting	751.4	D
Eddy, Sherwood—You will survive after death	133.9	E
Elmqvist, Ruth M., ed.—Fifty years of Christmas	394.268	CE
Fairchild, F. R. and others—Elementary economics	330	F1
Fisher, Jas. T. and Hawley, L. S.—A few buttons missing	B F534	
Fisher, Sydney G.—The true Daniel Webster	B W379.5	
Ford, Corey—How to guess your age	817	F1
Forrestal, James—Diaries	B F730	
Fuess, Claude M. and Basford, E. S.—Unseen harvests; a treasury of teaching	371.3	F
Gilbreth, Frank B.—I'm a lucky guy	B G4664.3	
Gilkey, James G.—When life gets hard	248	G3
Gould, John—Neither hay nor grass	630.1	G4
Graham, Elinor—My window looks down east	917.41	G2
Graham, Frank D.—Audels new automobile guide for mechanics	629.2	G
Graves, Frank P.—Student's history of education	370.9	G
Gray, John S.—Psychology in human affairs	150.13	G1
Gunther, John—Riddle of MacArthur	B M116	
Hall, Peg—Early American decorating patterns	747.94	H
Henderson, J. Y.—Circus doctor	791.3	H
Hill, Ralph N.—Contrary country, chronicle of Vermont	974.3	H
Hilles, Helen T.—Farm wanted	630.1	H2
Hilliard, Jan—The salt box	818	H10
Hinshaw, David—Rufus Jones, master Quaker	B J794.3	
Holberg, Ruth L.—Take it easy before dinner	641.5	H2
Hough, Henry B.—Singing in the morning and other essays about Martha's Vineyard	917.449	MaH
Howe, Henry F.—Salt rivers of the Massachusetts shore	974.4	H4
Hutchinson, Ruth S. and Adams, Ruth C.—Every day's a holiday	394.26	H
Johnson, Gerald W.—This American people	323.4	J
Jones, Jesse H. and Angly, Edward—Fifty billion dollars	332.31	J
Kaltenborn, Hans von—Fifty fabulous years, 1900-1950	B K147	
Keith, Agnes N.—White man returns	919.11	K1
Kennedy, Marguerite W.—My home on the range	B K362	

Kugelmass, J. Alvin—Louis Braille, windows for the blind	B B814
Langford, Norman F.—Fire upon the earth	270 L
Langsam, Walter C.—World since 1914	909.82 L
Lawton, George—How to be happy though young	170 L
Lewis, Charles L.—Famous old world sea fighters	923.5 L
Mabie, Janet—Heaven on earth	818 M4
McClinton, Katharine M.—Antique collecting for everyone	749.2 M3
McIlvaine, Jane S.—It happens every Thursday	071 M
MacLeod, Lily—Return to life	616.994 M
Mager, N. H. and S. K.—American household encyclopedia	640 M1
Marshall, Lucile R.—Photography for teen-agers	770 M1
Marshall, Peter—Mr. Jones, meet the master	252 M
Martin, Betty, pseud.—Miracle at Carville	616.998 M
Meyer, Robert E.—Festivals, U. S. A.	394.26 M
Moody, Ralph—Man of the family	B M8178.1
Morison, Samuel E.—Ropemakers of Plymouth (Cordage Co.)	677.7 M
Murphy, Grace E. B.—There's always adventure	B M978
Myerson, Abraham—Speaking of man	137 M
Nadon, J. M. and Gelmine, B. J.—Industrial electricity	621.3 N
Nash, B. D. and Lynde, Cornelius—A hook in leviathan	353 N
Nash, Ogden—Family reunion	817 N1
Neal, Robert M.—High green and the bark peelers, Boston and Maine railroad	656.2 N
Newhall, Nancy W., ed.—Time in New England	917.4 N1
Ogrizek, Doré, ed.—The United States	917.3 O1
Orga, Irfan—Portrait of a Turkish family	915.6 O
Overton, Grace S.—Living with teenagers	136.73 O
Palme, Arthur—The Berkshires through the camera	917.441 P
Papashvily, George and Helen—Thanks to Noah	636 P
Parker, Dr. George, pseud.—Guaracha trail	B P240
Peattie, Donald C. and Noel R.—Cup of sky	547 P1
Pike, Royston—Round the year with the world's religions	394.264 P
Pillsbury, Dorothy L.—No high adobe	818 P7
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